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Around Town:

One of my old clerical friends called on me the other day on his way to "Retreat." This sincere and able exponent of a church which I have often been forced to antagonize, seems, after all, as nearly as one can imagine, one of the true successors of the apostles who made such great sacrifices for Christ's sake. Incidentally he remarked that Retreat was a good thing for everybody in the sense that it gave a man an opportunity to get back to his better self and to find a renewed vision as to what is best. I never care to pry into what is done or as to the particular things that are left undone during these periods of religious retirement, yet I imagine we could all take something of the sort with great advantage to ourselves. I asked a lay Catholic friend of mine to define it for me, and he said, "Oh, I guess it is a sort of a spiritual gold cure." The definition is not used irreverently, for as one treatment is supposed to relieve a man of some of his bad habits with regard to tobacco and stimulants of all sorts, in a similar manner I imagine Retreat is a period during which those devoted to religious work make a sincere and more or less effectual effort to separate themselves from those entanglements of the world which, though trifling in themselves, are likely to prevent the sacrifices and the devotion to their work so characteristic of the Roman Catholic

In the great big world which in every sense revolves so swiftly and so continuously, the average business or professional man gets very few moments of retreat from those allurements, excitements and worries which continually besetting him, make his life to a considerable extent a false and feverish affair. When we try to get away from the world and from ourselves, the whole tendency is in the direction of taking quite a little crowd with us who are almost sure to make the fishing or hunting party, or the excursion, quite as rapid an outfit as that which we flatter ourselves we are struggling to escape. Escape is a difficult thing, either for the criminal after whom the avengers of the law are in pursuit, or for anyone who has, unconsciously perhaps, become an offender against some enactment of society, health, morality or religion. Those communities whose organization provides for periods of rest and retirement, for fasts and moments when the world can be eluded, are particularly fortunate. In politics and in everyday life the gasping struggler for supremacy, I imagine, often looks at himself in the glass as he brushes his hair in the morning or as he takes off his cravat at night, with much of the same suspicious air as the detective regards a some what shady character who is unknown but suspected as soon as he invades a city. Of course this may not be true of great statesmen, of the great leaders of great movements, but it must be remembered that the majority of politicians and of business men are not great philanthropists nor great leaders of anything, and may be monumental only in their gall and and may be monumental only in their gail and the intensity of their desire to achieve a high place. They may be all this and not be awfully bad; they may really be moderately bad and not be devoid of those moments of intense yearning for rest and escape, for quietness and a return to simplicity if not innocence of life. If those who are per haps best qualified to teach us in spiritual matters require time to think and a quiet week in which to recover their original vantage ground, is it not true that those worldlings who are lacking in much of their elevating emotionalism and purity of surroundings should also occasionally retire to some cloister and re-discover themselves?

school question, I must decline to be considered one of those who find in every walk of life and in every act of a government some suspicious odor of popish interference. I have amongst my best friends many men who can detect the hand of Rome in the simplest events of every day life. One of these gentlemen, writing to me apropos of our recent discussion of the new marriage law, asked me to tell him why Roman Catholics do not have to buy a marriage license as Protestants are forced to do. During twenty five years as an issuer of marriage licenses he tells me that he has never yet had a Roman Catholic applicant. I have no doubt he states the facts as he has found them; and, furthermore, he voices the general misunderstanding of the community with regard to the issuance of marriage licenses. Nobody is forced to buy a marriage license. Those who are willing to have "the banns called" in their church can be married on presentation of a certificate that such an announcement has been made. With Roman Catholics it is very generally a matter of faith and custom to have the banns announced from the pulpit of the parish church, consequently they do not need to buy a marriage license. They are not specially protected or exempted in this matter. Non-Catholies might do the same, only it does not seem agreeable for them to do so. I have asserted, and I still think, that the Roman Catholic church makes it a little burdensome upon their parishioners when they insist upon a special fee if the banns are not called three times, while the law demands ment, as far as the people have been able to but one announcement. The extra fee, however, it should be understood, is for a dispensation from the bishop authorizing the priest to has been equally anxious to disavow any connecmarry a couple without the ordinary amount of publicity. The money which must be paid for this is not the property of the parish priest nor the old lines of big promises of public works. A of the bishop, but must go to some authorized charity, and except in such cases as must be specially authorized by the bishop the publica- becoming influences as if it had long been in

While taking very strong grounds on the

tion of the banns and the marriage fee in the regular way amounts to but five dollars, which is little more than the price of a license and the nallest honorarium accepted cheerfully by any clergyman.

Apropos of the Marriage Act comes a new regulation that a man must not marry his deceased brother's wife, and that a woman must not marry a deceased husband's brother. One gets bewildered by these foolish assemblages of improbable and prohibited personages who might as well be permitted to marry if they chose. The department which has this matter in charge seems to have gone crazy, or else is being befogged and led by the nose by some clerical influence which should long ago have been suppressed. People who are not nearly related by blood should be permitted to marry if they see fit, and this twentieth regulation as to prohibited classes multiplies the improper alliances until people will really not know whether they are marrying their grandmother or their wife's aunt's sister. By letter fact that I made no mistakes in my forecasts and personally I have been consulted in this matter until I am tired of the new Marriage closed. I feel quite certain that the anti-clerical idea is dominant in Canada; not that

power and had obtained a status in the country. The Conservatives were not slow to make the most fascinating proposals to constituencies which they desired to win, and the Liberals have been unable so far to resist a tendency to make similar propositions. In the future the Government now in existence must refrain from this sort of thing or they will invite the opposition and the most strenuous criticism of every intelligent journalist. When the Government is filled and their majority is assured and the influences of the past are not so much a contagion as they are now, this sort of business must be dropped or the Laurier Administration will be considered as great a boodling affair as that which it succeeded.

It is not my habit to congratulate either myself or the papers for which I write upon the success of predictions made, but in the present instance, particularly after the success of the last two Ministerial contests, it seems right enough to call attention to the

ment of public affairs, were to be left out of future arrangements for municipal, provincial and federal government. If the Liberals disappoint us in this respect their fall will be as sudden and miserable as their acquirement of power was unexpected and conspicuous.

At the present moment there is no reason to suspect that Canada has regretted the change of Government. Enormous influence and opportunities of greatness are within the grasp of the new Ministry. They should appoint commissioners to examine the world on behalf of our manufacturers and producers, that exact data may be placed in the hands of those who are ambitious to engage in the exporting trade on a large scale, and thus in a proper way make themselves felt as the agents and promoters of Canadian enterprises. Mining, manufacturing, farming, dairying and lumbering should be as much their care as if they were individually engaged in such projects. The bringing to Canada of emigrants of a desirable sort proposal surrounded by great difficulties, but they should be able to grasp such oppor-tunities as they find available and fill our North-West with people. The mere statement

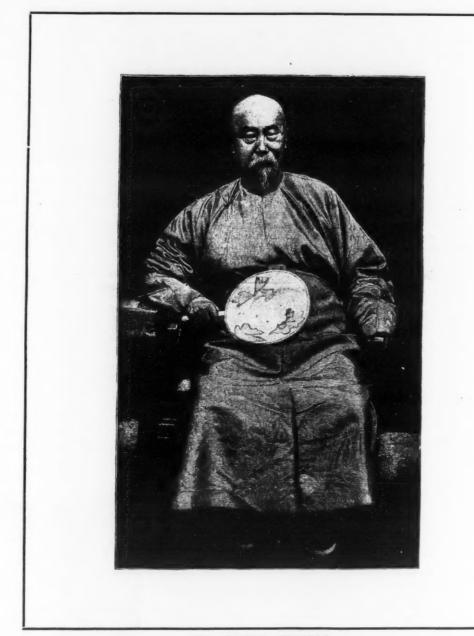
unpleasant to the tourist. What they should now do is to build a fence around the town, with but one small gate for ingress or egress. A committee of clergymen should preside at this aperture and examine everybody as to his or her orthodoxy and keep the outsider waiting as long as possible. If the stranger does not satisfy the committee as to his beliefs or unbeliefs, he should be rejected. Trains should be inspected as in the case of an outbreak of smallpox as to whether the newcomers have been vaccinated with the proper virus, and the baggage of every visitor should be observed as to whether it suggests improper materials. If this be done-and practically it is being done -the city will be avoided by everyone who desires some little amusement or exercise upon the Lord's Day and reasonable liberty upon the other days. Then we will be able to restrain bicyclists, prevent excursions, and make the doorstep or the back kitchen the only alternative to the church as a place to spend Sunday. Such an operation might form the basis of a league in which every member may declare that he will not attend church until he can go there in a street car. Such a league would be much more popular than the effort of the City Council to "hold up" the Street Railway Company by trying to extort from them a bounty excessive in amount and entirely out of keeping with the agreement originally made when the franchise was handed over to them.

It would not be long if this fence, which should be twenty feet high, were placed around the city, before every board used in its con-struction would be plastered with bills offering the property for sale by the sheriff. It is quite likely that the city itself would be offered for sale on exceedingly moderate terms and with a long date for payment. We affect a desire for excluding the wicked people of the world from our somewhat scattered wards, and the policy should be carried to its utmost at once that we may know how vigorous are the principles of those who oppose all modern innovations. The policy of exclusion has been definitely decided upon, or the Council would not delay an endeavor to present a by-law offering the citizens a chance to decide whether they shall ride or walk upon the Sabbath day. This impulse of the city is believed to be in harmony with the text fastened upon the walls of the City Hall, "Except the Lord keep the city the watchman waketh but in vain." Our clergymen will not have any need to wake, and no one else need lose sleep or anything but their property if what appears to be the policy of the Council is thoroughly carried out. Our wholesale houses are losing their business; our streets are almost devoid of visitors; our boats mostly carry school children and empty chairs; the trains come and go without bringing us twenty-five per cent. of the visitors who used to come, but are taking away those who were residents, and every enterprise has become more or less of an effort to slaughter prices. True, times have changed somewhat, but Toronto is to-day most conspicuous in these respects, and we should at once decide whether our empty houses and stores should be filled with the atmosphere or with tenants who will pay taxes. The supreme moment of discontent will not be long deferred. It would be much better to settle the matter promptly.

It has become a practice to rail against the extravagance of paying the Governor-General of Canada a salary equal to that paid to the President of the United States, and very frequently the statement is made that the President enjoys none of those perquisites enjoyed by the Governor-General, but merely has his salary and the use of the White House rent free. An American correspondent to an English paper has investigated the matter, and it turns out that the President does enjoy "extras" quite as numer ous and extensive as our Governor-General. In fact, the extras mount up quite beyond any thing known at Ottawa. For this year, it seems, Congress is asked to appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to run the White House. The people of the Republic do not expect their President to run his office in a niggardly fashion, and those Canadians who are eternally growling about our own system should carefully digest the fact that the President has "extras," and that the belief that he does not have them is due to the circumstance that no one objects to his enjoyment of them.

The President pays no rent. His fuel and light cost him nothing. He does not even pay for his own newspapers, and as for stationery, he has the finest that the world can produce and there is a shorthand writer always at hand to save him from writing letters himself. He has a half-dozen watch-dogs to keep the crowd away from him. His private secretary receives \$5,000 a year, and the man who sits outside his office door to open and close it gets a salary of \$2,000. He has men to read the papers for him. He has a telegraph operator and a telegraph instrument in the White House, and Uncle Sam pays his telegraph bills. He seldom if ever buys a postage stamp, and the thousand and one little incidentals that eat out the heart of the ordinary man's salary are paid for him. He pays no rent for his stables, and Congress gives him some money to keep them up. The amount that is asked for this year is \$10,000, and this includes stationery, reading matter, and the caring for the Presi dent's horses, harnesses, and carriages.

Custom requires that the President should give certain state dinners, but it is estimated that President Cleveland does not spend more



LI HUNG CHANG.

which furnish no bar to matrimony.

The politics of Canada have assumed a new personal alliance with the Conservative party, yet I have not permitted any such alliance to bias my judgment in reviewing the acts of those who wore the same party name as myself. During the past six or eight months I have abstained from political references, because it is perhaps in poor taste to mix social and political matters. At the present moment, however, the political situation deserves a mention, or else the events of the week will not have been properly reviewed. In North Grey and in the constituency of Queen's and Sunbury, contests have been concluded which resulted in enormous majorities for Hon. Mr. Patterson and Hon. Mr. Blair. It has been demonstrated that ment, as far as the people have been able to judge it in the light of what little they have seen of it, is considered quite satisfactory. Everybody tion with the coercion of Manitoba, and the campaigns have been conducted very much on extraordinary influences which have belittled

an early period demonstrate that the clergy have been overstepping the bounds of propriety phase. I have never disguised the fact of my in dictating to the people how they should vote. Surely we are out of our swaddling clothes and may be permitted to assert our equality on every occasion, no matter if our prejudices, our passions, and our rather vague regard for their superior position. The Conservative party in Ontario wrecked itself under Mr. Marter because he falsified by a public utterance the sincerity of the party's antagonism to the undue influence of the hierarchy in Ottawa wrecked itself trying to prove that it Liberals under Mr. Laurier obtained their encies. majority and their influence in this country by a straight fight against the hierarchy. They will retain their influence and form a great party in this country if they demonstrate their ability to reject racial and religious influences. To me it is a pleasure which I can bardly express to chronicle the fact that Canada seems to be on the eve of emancipation from the and befogged our politics. which have no connection with the manage- ritles to make the place difficult of access and

ships which no one recognizes socially and | the people despise or reject spiritual advice, | that they have a large policy will be denounced but because they either have done so, or will at as unsatisfactory when the people again have a chance to express their opinion, if great things have not been undertaken in the spirit of hope and helpfulness. As the world moves, Canada must not remain as the one stationary place, nor can the people tolerate a policy of crackers and cheese, of penuriousness and out-of-date spiritual advisers are eager to work upon our legislation on the part of those who have been asked to occupy the place of a Government which thought of nothing but patronage and the puerile desire to hold office. It will be much better for Mr. Laurier and his friends to perish in an attempt to do something for the country than to be discovered in the this province. The Conservative party at attitude of merely desiring to retain their position by pandering to local prejudices and makwas the pack-horse of the Catholic party. The ing promises to local politicians and constitu-

> The renewed proposal to run Sunday cars in Toronto appears to have caused an outbreak of hysteria in certain clerical and newspaper circles, which reminds one very forcibly of the attempts in the older times to restrict personal liberty and to restrain the progress of the world. The Mayor and certain city aldermen have taken great pains to delay, if not defeat, It appears as if this addition to our civic facilities. Toronto is

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than \$5,000 a year on these dinners, and he is supposed to save \$25,000 a year, or one half his salary. The full staff of servants at the White House are paid by the Government, including a private barber and a steward who draws \$2,500 a year for doing the marketing. From every State in the union presents are continually arriving at the White House, although President Cleveland makes it a rule to decline presents of excessive value.

The point which I wish to make is this, that those who adversely criticize Rideau Hall and the Government House at Toronto are not entitled to cite the President of the United States as one who enjoys no extras. It costs the Republic \$125,000 a year to maintain the President and his establishment, and while the country is greater and richer than ours, we have to bear in mind that the best men in English public life could not be induced to accept a responsible position in Canada if they were expected to live on a scale to which they had not been accustomed, or if they were required to draw upon their private fortunes to maintain such an establishment at Ottawa as the position demands. If we want the class of men who have been sent here since Confederation we must continue to maintain the Governor-General in a manner befitting the man and the office. If inferior men were sent us at a cheaper price, the experiment in economy might prove singularly disappointing.

Men who know how to conserve the dignity of the Crown while offering every possible obedience to the Commons; men who can occupy a position the most eminent in the country and accept universal social deference, without losing trace of the line that divides the social and political spheres; men who can be busy without doing anything, talkative without saying anything, influential without throwing their influence upon scales that yawn and gape to receive it—such men are not cheap or numerous, but rare and worthy of high hire. It is easier for an able man to run a country than to hold the empty name of power while refraining from even the appearance of meddling. It is questionable if society in Canada has developed far enough to produce men capable of such masterly inaction as must distinguish a Governor-General. To talk profound inanities and wise nonsense, to make feathers momentous and frills portentous, to be opinionless on all matters that invite opinion, requires a training such as men can scarcely get on this continent, where the children are taught to form and air opinions before they quit wearing bibs.

Any curtailment of the dignity of the Gover-nor-Generalship that would in the future deprive us of the services of such a man as the Marquis of Lorne, would be a very false economy. What we gained through the services of this man cannot be summed up in the total of his performances while he occupied Rideau Hall, for his chief services to Canada have been accomplished since his return to Europe. He is the unofficial representative and champion of Canada in the social and political world of London. Whenever half-a-dozen men gather together to consider any matter of interest to the Dominion, the Marquis of Lorne is always present. He is tireless and always adroit in our service. If a chairman is required to preside over a meeting or to present a deputation. the Marquis of Lorne is the one distinguished Englishman most easily approached and readiest to respond. On one occasion a few years ago a large body of Canadian business men were in London and arranged a banquet to which many prominent men were invited. It was thought appropriate that an ex-Governor-General should preside, and as the Marquis of Lorne was in the Highlands of Scotland, Lord Dufferin was applied to. He sent a polite apology. Lord Lansdowne was within a few miles of Lon don, and in reply to a telegram wired back that he would not be in London on the date men tioned. The ardor of the Canadians was quite dampened by these refusals, but at last they decided to wire to the Marquis. I have forgotten just where he happened to be, but he wired an immediate acceptance, and after a continuous trip of forty-eight hours arrived in time to preside and make the affair a decided success A dozen instances of his lordship's self-sacrifice in our cause might be cited, and it is well known among our public men at Ottawa that in the Marquis of Lorne Canada has a friend who can serve us as no Canadian could possibly do in the outer world-a man, too, who is affairs.

There are hundreds of ways of economizing without so reducing the salary of the Governor-General that he shall have to saw his own cordwood and sift his ashes for cinders. If we are to have a Governor-General at all we want one who has capacity for public affairsthe kind of man whose standing in diplomatic circles is such that he may afterwards be sent to India, to Turkey, or to France. The Governor-Generalship must not become so unpleasant or so cheap a post that it will become the plum which British Governments will throw to some troublesome political mendicant, or to some superannuated clerk whose usefulness is gone and whose needs are many. If economy is to be practiced let it take the direction of retrenchment in the various departments of government. Let contracts be awarded in a businesslike way and payment made only for value received. An army of heelers who feed at the public cribs might be driven forth with advantage and without injury to the dignity and credit of the country.

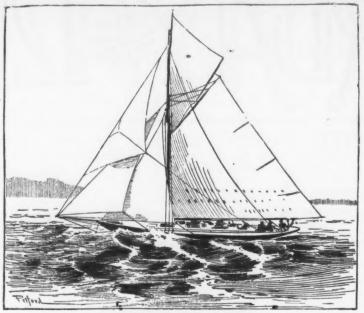
A Startling Novelty.

Collier's Weekly.
Theatrical Manager—What I want is a genu

Playwright-Something realistic? Theatrical Manager-Yes; but I don't want any real pugilists, or real naval disasters, or

real love stock, or real battles in it. Playwright (thoughtfully)-How would it do to spring something on the public with real

Burrows—What is the best wheel on the market? Hills—The best wheel is not on the market any more. I bought it myself two weeks ago.—Indianapolis Journal.



The Champion Yacht "Canada."

Social and Personal.

Since our last issue the very sad death at sea of Sir David Macpherson has plunged his family into deep mourning and clouded the fair face of our lady of Govern-ment House with another sorrow. Mrs. Kirkpatrick's grief at the death of her mother little more than two years ago bid fair for a time to injure her health, and hardly had the wearing of mourning for Lady Macpherson ceased than again must the sombre crape shroud the chil-dren of the "Old Lion," as Sir David was play-fully called by some of his friends. On Sunday noon a quiet little procession wound its way from Chestnut Park to St. James' cemetery to lay the master of the Park beside his wife's remains. The funeral was private, only a few intimate friends joining with the family in the performance of the last sad rites. Mrs. Kirkpatrick had the comfort of the presence of her three sisters, Mrs. Beckett, Mrs. Dobell and Mrs. Meyrick Bankes, on this trying occasion, and her brother, Mr. William Macpherson, was also one of the mourning group. Mrs. Perceval Ridout, the fifth of the daughters of the house, is still in Europe, where she has been since winter. Sir David had determined, as I mentioned some weeks ago, to take his seat in the Senate this session, and though in delicate health saw fit to risk the sea voyage. That the fears of friends who strove to dissuade him were only too well founded, the sad catastrophe proved, and one more of the elders of our country, full of years and honors, has gone to his rest. Sincere sympathy encircles his children, from hundreds of loving friends; especially is the love and condolence offered to her who has so graciously ruled over the stately or merry functions of Toronto society for the past four seasons, from the many who rejoice in her sweet presence and for whom no one can fill the blank left by her temporary retirement.

The visit of Lord and Lady Russell, Miss Russell, Mr. Charles Russell of Killowen, Sir Frank and Lady Lockwood, Mr. Montague Crackanthorpe, Q.C., and Mr. Fox was the only ripple on the last week of August's society placidity. Things have been preternaturally dull this week, but nothing was dull in the vicinity of the jolly party of travelers aforesaid. They are out for a good time, and they certainly have it in perfection. The Lord Chief Justice has a twinkle in his eye; in fact, there is a twinkle apiece for the coterie, and a hearty, pleasant, cheery atmosphere about them that is delightfully infectious. Almost on their arrival on Tuesday by the afternoon boat from Niagara, the whole party were packed aboard the Hiawatha and floated across to the Yacht Club, where a very nice little dinner was given by Mr. B. B. Osler in their honor. On Wednesday Lord Russell breakfasted at the Grange, lunched at Osgoode Hall and dined at the Toronto Club, filling in time between meals by a reception and interviews. The downpour of rain during the afternoon was much regretted by those smart people who desired to show the less pre-occupied members of the party the Meredith, Mr. Borden of Nova Scotia, Dr. fine quarters of the Country and Hunt Club, Larratt Smith, Mr. Justice Osler, Mr. Justice whither a drive was arranged by Mr. Walter Barwick. The morning was bright, however, of London, Mr. D. B. McLennan, Q. C., of and the party (without the Chief Justice, who the city and had a very pleasant and enjoyable | Chatham, Mr. Thomas Hodgins, Q. C., Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Lee of Tranby avenue have returned from Europe after an enjoyable

Mrs. James Carruthers goes to visit Mrs. Young of Alleghany next week.

The marriage of Miss Josie Gooderham and Mr. Warden takes place the last week in Sep-

Next week will see many smart houses open ing their windows after their midsummer sleep, and I hear of two or three dinners on the tapis for the near future.

Mrs. C. H. Gooderham gave an evening last Tuesday, at which some charming singing was

The Toronto Lawn Tennis Club's annual Athletic Club lawns, on which day entries may be made until noon. Play commences at

On August 19 at St. John's church a very pretty wedding was celebrated, when Mr. Albert Ludlow of Toronto and Miss Minnie McD. Walsh, third daughter of Mrs. Sara Walsh, were married. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Alexander Williams before a large number of friends of the contracting parties. Miss May J. Kells of Washington, who wore a costume of white organdie, and Miss McDougall wearing one of cream mull, acted as bridesmaids, and Mr. Harry Jones of this city was best man, with Mr. Lawrence Bishop as bride's usher. The bride's dress was of white

silk and lace. She wore the customary veil, with orange blossoms, and carried a lily in her prayer book. The ushers were Messrs. G. and H. F. Bishop of Toronto. After the ceremony a reception was held at the residence of the bride's mother, Brant place, where the newly wedded couple received the congratulations of many friends previous to their de-parture for a tour to the Thousand Islands.

Mrs. Cosby of Maplehyrn has returned from summer at Penetanguishene.

The Peninsular Park Hotel is another hostelry which has received much praise from guests this season. Mrs. Duckworth has been a most successful manager, and a very pleasant summer has been spent at Lake Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Holman returned by the Numidian after a two months' trip to

Mr. Harry Field has been giving recitals in Germany and gives one in Leipsic on September 3 under very influential auspices.

A quiet wedding was solemnized at the residence of Rev. W. F. Wilson on Tuesday evening, August 25, the bride being Miss Lizzie Henry, daughter of Mr. John Henry of County Fermanagh, Ireland, and the groom Mr. T. J. Roulston, son of the late Mr. William Roulston of County Tyrone, Ireland. The bridesmaid was Miss Maggie Henry, sister of the bride, and the best man Mr. Robert Martin. The knot was tied by Rev. W. F. Wilson, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, and only a few immediate relatives and friends of the happy couple were present. Mr. and Mrs. Roulston have taken up their residence at the corner of Delaware avenue and Shanley street.

The marriage of Mr. John Wallace and Miss Agnes E. Ringer of Picton was celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents in that town recently. The ceremony took place at eleven o'clock, Rev. Rural Dean Loucks officiating. The bridesmaid was Miss Allie Delong of Wellington, and the groom's brother, Mr. James Wallace, was best man. The bridal group was completed by the two nieces of the bride, Misses Ida Hare and May Ringer. Miss Ringer's wedding-dress was of white silk and her bouquet of white roses; Miss Delong wore pale blue, and carried 1ed roses; Ithe other two young ladies were in white frocks, and their posies were of white and red carnations. Mr. and Mrs. Wallace have established themselves at 423 Church street, where Mrs. Wallace will be At Home after August 30.

At the luncheon given for Lord Russell on Wednesday in the new library at Osgoode, the guests included Mr. Æmilius Irving, who presided, Mr. Justice Burton, Mr. Crackanthorpe, Chief Justice Hagarty, Mr. Charles Moss, Mr. B. B. Osler, the Premier of Ontario, Mr. Justice Bain of Manitoba, Sir Frank Lockwood, Sir Thomas Galt, Sir Hibbert Tupper, Sir William Cornwall, Mr. R. T. Walkem, Q.C., of Kingston, was besieged at the Queen's) coached around Mr. E. Bell and Mr. W. Douglas, Q.C.'s, of G. F. Shepley, Q.C., Mr. H. W. Murray, Q.C., and Mr. W. E. Eakins.

> The other day two queer-looking persons entered a large dry goods store on King street, and prowled about making sundry purchases for some time. Their gowns were tight in the sleeves, of the vintage of 1890, and of antiquated and misfitting appearance. In fact, so quaint and queer were they that the dapper shop-girls were in spasms of delight and giggles. Judge of their amazement when one of the customers with whom they were so much amused said quietly, "Send those things to Lady Brassey at the Queen's," and Lady Brassey she was, cat-sleeves, duck frock and all!

Dubiously pleasant was the prospect shadowed by the rumor of Colonel Otter's removal to Kingston. Congratulations would be so tinged with regret at losing the popular tournament begins next Monday on the Colonel that they would quite lack the proper enthusiasm.

> Miss Edith B. Mills of Seaton street returned home last week, having spent a pleasant month's holiday with friends in Collingwood.

> At Grimsby Park, on the evening of August 24, before an audience of over three thousand people, Miss Lillian L. Armson of Toronto, a graceful and talented young elocutionist, captivated her large audience by her varied and exquisite selections.

Mr. Harry Gross, secretary of the Young Men's Liberal Club, has returned from Brighton and Belleville, where he has been visiting relatives. Miss Lena Gross of Rochester, N. Y., who has been visiting her cousin, Miss Lillie

Gross of McCaul street, returned home on

Mr. D. A. Campbell, B.A., left for Ottawa this week to fill the position of Science Master in the Collegiate Institute of that city. Mr. Campbell is a specialist in his subject, and Ottawa is to be congratulated in securing Mr. Campbell's services as one of the Collegiate Institute ståff.

The recent trial and condemnation in England of the notorious baby farmer roused horror in all minds, but it might be news to many of the horrified to know that Toronto the Good has her baby farms and that they follow well in the footsteps of their English examples. A couple of victims of these institutions, rescued by the Children's Aid Society's officers from the baby farm at 26 St. Clarens avenue, are now in the Infants' Home, where kind nurses and incessant care are doing all that can be done to ease the sufferings of the hapless little creatures. Lesley Lashley and Maud Love have known trouble in their five months' experience of this wicked world, as can be plainly seen by their pictures taken last Tuesday. It appears that these and other superfluous arrivals are disposed of by their mothers through Adoption Agencies, which, for a good sum, cash down, agree to find a home for the infants. This home is found at unlicensed baby farms, where, on payment of a sum of money by the adoption agencies, the children are received and slowly starved to



The two children rescued from the Baby Farm

This is a nice state of affairs! Humanity cries out for two things, the licensing and inspection of every baby farm and the sternest punishment of the wretches under whose care (!) the little infants have heretofore been allowed to perish. For, even when rescued, the children, owing to having been drugged as well as starved, are very eldom strong enough to battle successfully for their lives, even under the best care. Baby farms, properly managed, are one of the necessities of a low moral standard and animalism which unfortunately prevails in some quarters, but murder-farms are an un necessary blot on the community.

In contrast to these wretched places and their abject occupants, it is refreshing to look over the Infants' Home, a well equipped and well managed shelter for the poor, the friendless and the victimized women and girls and their helpless little infants, who, whatever the circumstances of their birth, receive kind and tender care in this institution. That they thrive reasonably well is a fact, for the deaths in the Home are largely from the ranks of the miserable babes referred to in the former para-



A group in the Infants' Home

graph. On Tuesday our photographer took a picture of three of the Home babies, inmates since their birth, and rather fine little creatures. The Home celebrates its majority next October, and should receive a big birthday gift from its subscribers to free it from debt. One of its rules for admission of infants is that the mother must accompany the child, and nurse and care for it in the Home for several months. This period often works wonders in the character of a young and thoughtless girl, and at the expiration of the time the Board find her a place where she can earn an honest living and contribute something in support of her baby as well.

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Social and Personal.

Next week will be Toronto's hustling time for the whole year. The great Industrial Fair draws to the city an interested and interesting crowd. We are to have Li Hung Chang, whose celestial smile is quite a curiosity. Premier Laurier is to be also a guest of the city, and the Governor-General and his Countess will be brightest stars in the social firmament. That fine weather may prevail is devoutly to be hoped for, as the Exhibition is par excellence an open-air function. As usual, on opening day society will grace the handgrounds, which are a veritable picture before the great horde tramps them to death.

Several luncheon parties and drag parties are already arranged for visits to the Fair. A new and charming afternoon which smart people will give their visiting friends is a drive to the Country and Hunt Club-house, with a lunch or

Mrs. A. W. Blight of 28 North street will be At Home on Thursday, Friday and Friday evening, September 3 and 4, from three to five

The I.A.A.A. annual sports took place on Long Pond on Saturday afternoon and a fine day and great fun were on hand. A large con-course of boats moored alongside of a very staunch boom, were freighted with smart companies varying in numbers from two to half a dozen. Here was the canoe, with me and my best girl its only occupants; there the family row-boats, with papa, mamma and the family, whose united avoirdupois brought the gunwale rather near the water. Here a corpulent man, who had inadvertently sat in a pool, roused the mirth of the spectators at a rear view; there a brawny young giant, bare to a wondrous extent, exhibited the acmo of sunburn on his massive biceps and pillar of neck. There were tall boys and short boys, chubby boys and skinny boys, dripping boys and dry boys, and at the end some thoroughly tired-out boys, but all of them game to any amount. In and out of the water they dipped and ducked, floating like Millais's Ophelia, or diving like ducks in a ditch, scrambling in or tipping out of canoes with equal nonchalance. The tilting contest, as usual, made no end of fun. The wild bamboo lances, with their plumpudding on the end, and the bastes, and swipes, pudding on the end, and the bastes, and swipes, and smacks the doughty tilters gave each other therewith, ending by the inevitable sousing of some hapless warrior, and the jeers and laughter of the unfeeling crowd at his expense—are they not yearly the hilarious finale of the I. A. A. sports? On the barge were groups of ladies and gentlemen much amused and interested, and the grand stand was well filled by a much smarter. grand stand was well filled by a much smarter audience than one often sees at such affairs. The final victor at the tilting tourney was the fine young grandson of Sir Casimir Gzowski, Mr. C. Stanislaus Gzowski, who succeeded in ducking Harvey McNaught after a long and stubborn fight, the valiant Harvey having previously ducked a brawny foe, Mr. Goldman, amid wild shouts of applause. A Memphis man on the top seat of the grand stand regards this tilting tourney as the greatest fun he ever witnessed, and was convulsed with mirth at the whole thing.

Messrs, A. B. and C. S. Wilkie, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Paterson, Mrs. W. C. Phillips, Messrs. K. C. and A. E. Beatty, Mr. W. J. Kavanagh, Miss Hamilton, Mr. F. L. Lewis, Mr. I. F. Barke of Toronto, Mr. H. H. Strathy of Barrie, Mr. T. R. Merritt and Miss Benson of St. Catharines, Mr., Mrs. and the Misses Roos of Berlin, Mrs. I. W. and Miss A. C. Wheelock, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newschafer, Mrs. C. A. Blood, Mr. C. E. Lansing, Dr. I. H. P. and Mrs. Hodgsen, child and nurse of New York, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Englehart, Miss Moncreiff and E. Hatch, Miss Gertrude Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Manchester of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. F. Cowan and Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Hamlin of Oshawa, Gen. and Mrs. Black and daughter of Chicago, Mr. C. L. Lewis of Chatham, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lefroy of Port Hope and Mr. H. M. Wood of Millbank are registered at Maplehurst Hotel, Muskoka.

On Monday evening last a party of friends of Dr. C. R. Notman and his charming wife, who are about to leave Toronto to take up their residence in Dayton, Ohio, enjoyed a delightful drive about the city in the doctor's famous tally-ho, followed by a supper. The enjoyment of the sumptuous spread was supplemented by a bright succession of toasts and songs. The doctor in the course of a neat and witty speech assured his friends that though business arrangements took him to a foreign land, he should while there lose none of his love for his old Toronto home. The company separated wishing their host the greatest happiness and prosperity that they could wish or hope to ex-

The following are at Hotel Hanlan: Mrs. K.
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Mr. and Mrs. John Wright returned from England last Thursday on the Labrador. Mr. Wright is not in his usual robust health, but hopes the promised and present fine weather will restore him, as do all his friends.

This week's Monday at the Yacht Club is reported to have been the most brilliant of these very jolly reunions yet held. Several strangers were present, amongst others beautiful Miss Archer of Texas, who was surrounded by admirers as usual, and Miss Swift of King-noticed were: Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Bucham, by admirers as usual, and Miss Swift of King-ston, the guest of Miss Marion Barker of Hon. S. C. Biggs, Mrs. Biggs and Miss Biggs.

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Among the guests at Milford Bay House this week are: Mrs. T. and Miss Fisher of Dundas, Mr. N. Morrison, Mr. L. Thorp. Mr. G. Calvert, Mr. A. G. Murray and Mrs. Murray of Toronto.

Mrs. H. A. Hamilton will be At Home to her friends on Thursday and Friday, September 3 and 4, at 98 D'Arcy street.

A Parkdale party left on Monday evening per

Niagara-on-the-Lake.

An unusually large number attended the hop at the Queen's last Saturday. A few of the many dancing were: Miss Sage, Mr. B. and Miss Ogilvie, the Misses Reddy, Mrs. Onslow, Mr. Allan Anderson, Miss Amalie Altman, Miss Straus, Miss Bertha Straus, Mr. Joe Syer, Mr. C. Heward, Miss Greene, Mr. W. Boughton, Mr. Guy Boughton, Miss Elliott, Lieut. McFarland, the Misses McFarland, Lieut. Paine, Lieut. Fox, Miss Chance of Fort Niagara, Miss Temple, Miss Dickson, Mr. Honeybun, Mr. DeWitt, Mrs. Willie Boughton, Mr. Tilden, Miss McPherson, Miss King, Mr. Stewart, Miss Masters, Mr. Connels Mrs. Walds McPherson, Miss King, Mr. Stewart, Miss Masters, Mr. Connels Mrs. Walds Mr. Stewart, Miss Mr. Connels Mr. Walds Mr. Stewart, Miss Mr. Stewart, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Stewart, Miss Mr. Stewart, Miss Mr. Stewart, Miss Mr. Stewart, Masters, Mr. Connely, Mrs. Walsh, Mr. Dick, Mr. Dennis, Mrs. Barton, Miss Fleischmann, Mr. G. Kendall, Mr. Hall, Mr. W. Anderson, Mr. Warren, Mr. Charles Mee, Mr. Adams, Mr. G. Rogers, Miss Walsh, Miss Beddome, Mr. Seagram, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Babcock.

The following are among the latest arrivals

at the Queen's: Mrs. M. E. Parker of New York, Miss Marie Babcock, Mr. S. C. Babcock, Mr. John K. Bennett, Miss Bennett of Buffalo; Mr. J. Foulkes, Mr. Lionel Escomb of Victoria, B.C.; Mr. George Chesman of Toronto, Mr. George Cox, Miss Kate Masters, Miss Grace Babcock of Rochester, Mr. Arthur Connely of Toronto, Mr. George M. Kendall, Mr. Charles G. Hall, Mr. G. D. Adams, Mr. George Tilden, Mr. William Stuart of Buffalo; Miss McPherson of Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. F. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gay, Miss C. Tilden of Buffalo; Mrs. A. R. Pope of New York, Mr. R. G. Cox of St. Catharines, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Walsh of Buffalo, Mrs. H. Barton, Miss Mary Walsh, Mr. Edward F. Walsh of Washington; Mr. D. C. Dyer of Chicago, Mr. A. C. Dennis of Philadelphia, Mr. J. R. Johnson, Mrs. W. Riggs of St. Catharines; Mr. G. C. Rogers of Lockport, Mr. A. C. Folkes, Mr. D. B. Dick of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. C. Marion of Buffalo.

Mrs. Fabian, who has been stopping with Mrs. B. Nash, has returned to Toronto.

Mrs. Edward Hewgill returned to St. Louis

Miss Morrison of Spadina avenue, Toronto, is

stopping with her sister, Mrs. Robert Dickson. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Fleischmann celebrated the anniversary of their wedding on Monday evening. Everyone was present, and a most enjoyable evening was spent. A dance and a very sumptuous champagne supper were the

The international golf tournament begins on Wednesday, September 2. The first event will and send them a glimpse or two be a handicap at 2.30 p.m., open to all members a recognized golf club. Eighteen holes. Medal play. Entrance fee \$2.00. 4.30 p.m., driving competition by points for distance

Total score in three trials. Entrance fee \$1.00. Thursday, September 3, 11 a.m. International championship. Eighteen holes. Open to all amateur members in good standing of a golf club which in the United States has membership in the National Golf Association, or which in Canada has membership in the Royal Canadian Golf Association. Final round of thirty-six holes. Entrance \$3.00. First prize, a gold medal; second, silver medal; third and fourth, bronze medals.

The winner will be entitled to the custody of the International trophy which is now held by Mr. C. B. Macdonald of Chicago, and which becomes the property of any player winning it three years in succession. 2 p.m. Second round of International championship.

Friday. -11 a.m. Consolation handicap. Open to all player who have competed in the tournament and failed to win a prize. Eighteen holes. Medal play. Entrance \$1.00. 2 p.m. Final round of International championship.

Final round of International championship.
4 p.m. Ladies' event. Open. Nine holes.
Match play. Entrance \$1.00.
A professional match has also been arranged, which will be most interesting. Entries will be received by the honorary secretary up to noon on Tuesday, September 1, and should be made as far as possible through secretaries of the clubs to which players belong. With entries for handicap event a copy of the club handicap should be sent. Fees should accompany entries. Entries for consolation handicap will be received up to Thursday evening. September 3.
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"JACK, WHERE BE YOU?"

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PART I.

There is a brutal pastime in vogue among the which I am about to relate, that I shall begin by describing it. This game, known as "Jack, where be you?" is especially popular during the long winter evenings, when the gang is assembled in camp after the day's work is finished. To the spectators it has the keen interest of the prize fight or the veritable duel. To the participants it is a rather serious affair, or would seem so to more civilized men. But hard heads enjoy hard knocks, and volunteers

A ring is formed; the contestants kneel on the floor, facing each other, and are securely blindfolded. Each holds in his right hand a stout leather strap, made formidable by the heavy iron buckle at the end. The left hand, which may slide about freely, but must be kept on or near the floor, grasps one end of another strap; this is drawn taut between the combatants, and must never be dropped. When all is ready, one-the man who has been lucky enough to win the toss—calls out: "Jack, where be you?" Whereupon the other must immediately answer: "Here I be." The first then strikes at the point where he fancies him to be with the buckle end of his strap, swing-ing it with all his force. If he hits his man he may strike again, and so on, till he misses, but as soon as he fails to score, the other may call on him with the same ominous challenge: "Jack, where be you?"

This continues through a series of rounds-



Some poor broken wretch lies groveling.

ordinarily until one of the two is disabled. For a man to be knocked senseless by a heavy blow from the weighted strap is nothing uncommon, and serious injuries are occasionally inflicted. But there is just where the fun comes in—at least in the eyes of the lumberman. His whole life is made up of peril and hardship; no sport is lively enough to tickle his tough palate unless hotly spiced with pain and hazard. So "Jack, where be you?" is a favorite amusement.

It was near Arctic Falls, in the interminable wilderness of northern Maine, that the tragedy occurred. I was very familiar with the region as a boy, and many times heard the story repeated with all the vivid detail natural to those for whom memory serves as substitute for imagination.

The place is rugged and picturesque beyond compare. The savage little hamlet lies in the valley of the Antisegunticook, where the plunging stream has cut through the solid granite a deep gorge, in which the drives of logs clog and gather in bristling jams, while the dammed-un waters rise behind in tumult, and surge with new fury through the tangled obstruction. Imagine the peril of those who go down into the roaring chasm to tug and pry at the foot of this gigantic dead-fall, until, as some triggerlike combination is loosened, the whole mass shudders and gives way, and a thunderous avalanche of foam and logs plunges down the

Many are the victims that this merciless wooden juggernaut has claimed. Each year, on the white beach at the foot of the rapids, are found red-shirted forms, mangled and distorted, cast up there by a swirling eddy. They ulled out from among the murder that are driven up on the same sands, and are carted away to the nearest graveyard, ten miles distant. For there are no graves at Arctic Falls-there is not soil enough; the hard, granite floor is uncarpeted with sod. Neither are there any wells—what use to drive shafts down in the flinty rock? And the rivulets that race down from the overhanging hills have all cut through the thin film of mold, and speed over beds of smooth black stone. On the main street of the village the heavy wagons jar along a naked ledge of rock; in the forest the great roots of the trees stand out like talons, gripping for a foothold; and the mountains that wall in the barren scene show seamy slopes so bare and precipitous that a loosened bowlder will fly down like a cannon ball until it crashes in the thicket below. Arctic Falls fills many graves, but provides none; savage and pitiless, it casts out its dead unburied.

And the mills-they are as merciless as the of the waters. Night and day they run at race horse speed in serried gangs that rip through half a dozen logs at once. Great dripping treetrunks rush in a ceaseless stream up the steep incline, are tossed about like straws by the massive machinery, and fall in a heap of slab and plank before you could walk their length. The throbbing air is heavy with the odor of spray and the aromatic fragrance of fresh rended pine. Jagged edgings, like giant tooth-picks, heap up in mountainous stacks, which are burned each night; and the red flames light a scene worthy of the Inferno. Woe to the foot that slips or the hand that falters in such a place. Scarcely a week passes without some ghastly accident. The signs are all about you; faces frightful with livid, ill-healed mutilations; men stumping about amid the pitfalls of the mill on rude wooden legs; men feeding the with justice. Sally grew petulant.

ravenous saws, that have already tasted their flesh, with an iron hook where the hand should lumbermen of Maine and New Hampshire, so be. You enter a hovel, and in a dingy corner intimately connected with the tragic story some poor broken wretch lies groveling, groaning, cursing, praying for death. Things happen here too horrible for words.

What wonder that men grow hard and reckless! Life and limb are cheap at Arctic Falls. And who are they that dwell in this roofless cavern among the hills-who endure this life Nick. of peril, toil, and torture? They are-or were, men come and go-they were, in the days when I knew the place, of New England origin, with a sprinkling of Canadian French. They were not, on the whole, a sad-hearted, nor yet a badhearted people. Their religion was chiefly of the "revival" type. There was plenty of good fellowship, though fierce disputes were frequent; and they lived with the dare-devil abandon of men who felt that to-morrow might see them writhing in torment, here or elsewhere-for most of them sincerely expected to go to hell at last. But they seemed to think they could stand it. Life at Arctic Falls was certainly good preparation.

The wives and daughters of these men were the natural product of their environmentsturdy, coarse-fibred, but sound-hearted, selfrespecting and respected. Life was a battle, and they fought it out and held their own. They were rather more religious than were the men, but not much more tender-hearted. Nevertheless wooing and wedlock went on here as in other places, and saw-mill society, though brutal, was not corrupt.

The belle of the place was Sally Harden.

She was big, bold and rosy, rough as her com pany, but sound to the core. Presume an inch too far, and you got a knock-down cuff for your pains, but there was no malice in it; you were at liberty to join the laugh and resume the flirtation-for she was something of a flirt withal. Great coils of copper-red hair turbaned her head. Red hair was a taunt in the saw-mill settlement, but she led the dance none the less; her beauty was of the chromo sort which millhands and lumbermen could appreciate. She wore heavy, gold-plated jewelry, and an excess of inexpensive rings; but all this seemed to suit her style and you would hardly have wished her to change it. Her dresses were of trying and often positively painful hues, but really, she could carry off a big dose of bad taste with success.

She had many admirers, but only two, Jim Jones and Nick Burdo, were seriously in question. Jim was a robust, florid youth, six feet in height and almost as handsome as Sally herself. His face was slightly scarred-for he never shirked a fight-but, as yet, hardships and dissipation had made but little impression on him. He was strong and clever, a general favorite.

Nick was more feared than liked. He was some years older than Jim, tall, dark and sinewy, with the flerceness and endurance of a wolf. His fights were rarely fist fights. Though doubtless of Canadian origin, his command of anguage surpassed that of any other man in the settlement. His glib and specious tongue was apt to gain its point, yet even while it persuaded it seemed somehow to arouse distrust. The scene is laid. Now comes the tragedy.

PART II.

It was on the Fourth of July. The mills were shut down and the day had been celebrated with drunkenness and riot to an extent unusual even at Arctic Falls. Already there had

been several fights. That evening a dance was held. In the woods, lose by the big, ramshackle boarding-house of the principal mill, a floor had been laid, and a multitude of lanterns, both white and red, were hung upon the waving branches over and around it. The vendors of ice-cream, candy



You got a knock-down cuff for your pains,

and drinks were doing a great business. The men were all flushed with whisky and many of the women had not altogether confined themselves to lemonade, though two large washtubs torrent that drives them. The fierce shriek of the fanged saw ever mingles with the bellowing ready for their use. The dance was uproarious. The men threw in jigs and double shuffles that almost beat holes in the planks of the floor, and now and then gave yells like Comanches. There were having a glorious time. More and more the music raved in tuneless discords, and strove to make up in violence what it lacked in melody; while the hoarse, drunken voice of the leader bawled out impossible combinations for the dance. Who cared? The wilder the disorder the greater the fun.

Sally was there, of course. Indeed, her father down. -who was running the nearest boarding house -was director of the dance. And the rivals were there, both feeling particularly ugly-for Sally had chosen to show them scant courtesy

And now the last dance was reached. Both

Have it out atween you."
Both started; it was a rash word. In an instant the suggestion had outrun her wishes and passed beyond her control.

cried Jim. A little circle had formed in the crowd.

Will you dance with the one what licks?'

"That won't do," said Nick. "I'll fight ye all right, ye cussed whelp, but she's got to marry the one that licks."

The sentiment was echoed back from the "She's fooled with ye long enough, crowd. fellers. Make her come to time." Sally was terrified. The storm had burst

the elements had the upper hand. Her answer was taken out of her mouth. Well, I'm ready whenever ye can get that blasted coward to stand up to me," sneered

A blow full in the face was the answer. for time changes all things, and the tribes of Nick's pistol leaped out as the head of a serpent springs from coil. Sally's quick hand struck up the muzzle, yet the bullet sheared through



"Fight fair, or I shan't promise nobody."

Jim's curly locks, and the powder blackened his brow.

"How dare you?" screamed the girl. "Fight fair or I sha'n't promise nobody. I won't have no pistol shootin'.'

"S'pose yer want us ter hev it out in a game o' 'Jack, where be ye,' or some such devilish nsense," growled Nick.

It was not seriously meant, but it caught the fancy of the mob. There was a roar of appro-

A huge form came shouldering the throng. It was Harden. He staggered a little: no man present had drunk more whisky that night, yet he was plainly the soberest as well as the biggest of them all, and their master.

What's the row?" he demanded.

The matter was explained.
"Drawed on Jim, did he? Well, boys, ye're right. It's time this thing was settled, and this here's a good way. Jim, can ye strap the hide clean off'n the sneakin' cuss?"

For answer Jim unbuckled his heavy leather belt and swung it above his head until it shrieked like a buzz saw. Nick sneered, but paled a little; and his crafty brain was busy.
"Say we have it out in a game o' 'Jack,'" he

said, "do ye promise!" Sally bowed her head.

"Whichever one licks?"

"Ye must fight fair," she cried, "and there mustn't be no pistol shootin' now nor after.' "I'll see fair play," said Harden. "Now, Sall, you clear out. Go to yer room an' stay

She went, weeping. Harden was boss every where. He handled men as the machinery

handled the logs. The rest of the women were packed off with her. The dance was over.

A ring was formed, and straps thrown on the floor for the combatants to make choice. "Them things ain't no use," cried Nick con-

temptuously. "If I'm licked I'll shoot him later on, an' if he's licked he'll lay fer me. Ye can't hender us. Give us knives, so's't we can settle it right now. We can play 'Jack' just the same with knives.

The maddened crowd took it up. The gladiatorial passion was rising. "That's right," they "Give 'em knives an' let 'em settle it Harden and a few others protested. "We can't have no knifin'," they urged; but the mob only clamored the more, and the frenzy

"D-it, give us the knives," he said, at last,

Harden had taken another drink-to steady his nerves for his responsible duties as umpire. He no longer staggered, but the whisky and excitement fired his brain; and at Jim's word his dare-devil temper broke loose.

"Let her rip, then," he shouted, "and devil take the loser. Fetch on yer knives, ye bloody

Two huge meat-knives were brought from the kitchen. The duelists sat down on the floor, and whetted them to a razor edge on their boot legs. Their eyes were then securely bandaged. In place of the connecting strap, the ends of a dog-chain were firmly fastened about their left wrists. They faced one another on all fours, each grasping his murderous weapon. The chain was drawn taut. Jim wor

"All ready-go in," shouted the umpire.

"Jack, w'ere be you?" called Jim. "Here I be," hissed Nick. He jerked the chain, but did not change his position. Jim, who counted on a spring, struck to the left and missed; but his heavy blade split the

flooring and buried itself to the hilt. "Nick next," said the umpire. "Watch out. Jim," yelled the crowd.

Again the deadly formula was uttered. Jim sprang backward to the limit of the chain. jerking Nick's left hand along the floor. Yet as the steel descended with venomous swish, the point drew a stinging line down Jim's cheek; it reddened, and bright drops trickled

"Strike again," cried the umpire. Nick made a quick, catlike stroke in the same direction; but Jim had doubled and was close by his side. The men cheered. Now, Jim.

Jim twitched the chain, then struck. Nick claimed it and both claimed a promise—perhaps slipped from under the well-aimed blow, but the keen edge clipped the tip of a finger from

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the hand that rested on the floor. He instantly one more corpse was carted down the rough closed his fist, but the befraying blood oozed ut through his clenched knuckles and stained the boards.

'None o' that," growled the umpire. "Show

up fair. Jim again."

Jim listened, then struck with all his force. Nick sprang full against his opponent's chest. Jim's arm crossed Nick's body, and the overreaching blade shattered itself on a tough knot in the floor.

'Don't give him another," cried Nick, as he heard the jingle of the broken blade. "He's no right to another knife.'

But the umpire ruled otherwise. A new knife was brought and sharpened. It was Nick's turn, however.

"Jack, where be you?" "Here I be."

The chain slackened. Nick wheeled and struck close beside him. A roar went up from the crowd; then a groan, mingled with cries of rage. For Jim lay prone in a pool of blood. The savage blow had fallen on the back of his neck, and the spine was severed. The game was finished.

'All up," cried Harden hoarsely. "Jim's

done for, you infernal hell-cat."

Nick tore the bandage from his eyes, and staggered to his feet. The mob lurched for-

ward with raving threats. Keep back, d- you," thundered Harden. "'Twas a fair blow, an' ye would have it so, ye murderin' devils. Fetch out Sall."

He was still boss of the gang. They were cowed and obeyed him. After all, it was his own business, and they would not interfere.

They might get their chance later.
The girl was led in. The crowd was very She gazed on the bloody floor 'Jim dead?" she said vacantly. She knelt



Nick wheeled and struck close beside him.

side the body, then with a shrick flung her-

self upon it, moaning.
"None o' that," said her father sternly.

'Tain't no use. He's dead." He pulled her to her feet. She stood up, dabbled with blood, shaking in every limb. 'Well, I reckon ye belong to me," said Nick brutally. "Come on."

She cast a long look at the prostrate form. I wisht it was Jim," she said.

You ain't goin' back on a feller now?" "I ain't goin' back on nobody," she answered,

but I wisht it was Jim."
"Come along, then," he said, glancing "Don't ye see I can't be around uneasily. loafin' here?"

She looked at her father. 'They fit out fair," he said slowly, "an' ye give yer word. I hain't nothin' to say.' The girl shuddered.

But to-night you git home. Shet up, Nick. blast ye. Ef ye want her, come to-morrow an' ask fer her, an' I'll see ye git yer rights. Shet

To-morrow dawned. The tragic grove was deserted. Some of the lanterns still flickered with a dingy gleam. And in their midst, just over the bloody floor, stiff and cold and drenched with dew, dangled a sprawling figure. It was riddled with bullets, and blood was dripping from it in sullen clots upon the stark form that lay beneath.

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A Wolf Story.

Forest and Stream.

T was pitch-dark save only where the faint glow of the camp-fire-burned to the embers-penetrated the gloom for a few feet and seemed to intensify the wall of utter blackness which hedged it around. The balsam limbs extending their feathery extremities into the small circle of light seemed supported by invisible means as they swayed and vibrated in the quivering heat that arose from the hot firebrands. A rising wind swept the summits of the lofty pines, sounding sweet and soft and far as a child's lullaby. Our team of mules and Cana-dian horses stood perfectly silent a rod away, where they had been secured for the night.

We were dozing, Ernest and I, soothed by the almost insensible harmonious vibrations. Ernest was curled up like a hibernating deer (and indeed that is the name the Indians gave him, or "Moqua" in their language), his head pillowed on his immehse driving-boots; and he seemed to be about to fall into a sound sleep, when suddenly he sat bolt upright, stared wildly at the fire, and before I had time to enquire the cause of his sudden move had leaped to the pile of wood we had prepared for the morning, and commenced heaping it, with feverish haste, on the nearly extinguished fire.

"What's the matter, Ernest? I say, have you the nightmare or are you crazy? It isn't

time to build morning fire yet."
"I know dat," he replied, in his French-Canadian jargon, "same tam me hear wolf in de swamp; come up here pretty quick."
"Heard a wolf in the swamp?" I repeat in-

credulously. "Get out. I've been awake the whole evening and everything has been as still

"Same tam Ah'll heard it wolf," he persisted, and in no way relaxed his efforts until the light wood was piled high and the under billets had burst into flame; then without losing a moment he sprang to the horses and began unfastening the halter straps, calling to me meanwhile to get "dem mule close up de fire." His earnestness had the effect on me he desired, and in a few moments we had the animals tethered to an overhanging limb between our fire and the wagon, which we had pulled just outside the road for the night. keep still, you hear yourself,' Ernest said as he sat down and began pulling

on his boots. "Dey come leetle more near next We waited in silence a few moments, when, sure enough, away in the swamp to the east came the long, low wail, rising and falling in cadence almost imperceptible to the ear, so faint, yet suggesting something so fierce and

sinister that if once heard it can never be for "Do you think they will be ugly?" I say to

'No, teenk not. Bes' be ready; teenk only come look, dance leetle, make beeg howl, run

"Let'em come then. You get the ax and stand where you can best guard the outside; mule and I will do the same for the outside

"No. No need do that. Just keep still, not move where wolf come up, that best way." "But what about the horses? Won't they try to break away?"

'No, you see they get near the fire, keep still

"Well, get the ax anyway; there they go." Again, and this time we could hear the yip! yip! yip! which preceded the chorus sounding much nearer, and the horses and mules sure enough at the sound of it crowded nearer the fire, straining slightly at their fastenings, but making no violent demonstrations whatever.

I involuntarily reached for my Winchester and held it across my knees. Ernest hurriedly piled fresh wood high on the fire and with a final warning word to keep still sat like a statue. Again the yip, yip, yip and chorus and then continuous howling, increasing in volume as they drew nearer; then the concert opened in earnest, and in a few moments we were saluted from all sides. I gripped my gun tightly, but made no move. Billy, the outside horse, had backed up against a ground pine in his efforts to get near the fire, and now with pandemonium sounding on all sides stood without making a sound. I saw the little pine tremble like a leaf. Suddenly all was still. Down the road, after a moment of silence, there sounded a single howl, and with a yip, vip, the whole band seemed off in that

The 'clouds which had caused such Egyptian darkness gradually rolled away. The stars became visible through the interlacing branches. The night wind seemed to slumber. The snapping fire intensified the stillness. The horses and mules sank one by one to repose. I looked across the again dying fire at Ernest. His rude pillow was again adjusted, the camp spread pulled up to his chin, and as I looked the silence was broken by a good old-fashioned snore. The grip on my gun relaxed. Almost unconsciously I straighten out on the blanket and pull part of it over me. Unconscious of danger, we sleep the sleep of the just.

gistens as though they had been dusted over Ernest, after much stamping, gets his feet into his stiffened boots and starts for the wagon. saying, as he stops to pat the shaggy head, "He laugh and feel good because wolf no get him last night."

I went out in the road and saw plenty of wolf tracks. I paced from the fire to the tracks; it was fifteen paces.

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Stole His Thunder.

In the Presidential campaign of 1876, Oliver P. Morton was making a tour of the West, and George Sheridan accompanied him to do the "funny business." Senator Morton would usually talk for an hour-a heavy discussion of the financial problem, followed by an attack upon the Democrats of the South for their inhuman treatment of the negro. By the time he had finished, the audience would be soaked with wise advice. Then George Sheridan would Sheridan said: "Senator, I wish you would let In reply to the query" what have Dr. Williams

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me speak first to-night; I want to go out into Pink Pills done for you?" she replied, "why, the country with some friends."

recited all the statements concerning the outrages in the South; he repeated all of the personal reminiscences of his experiences as goverreached a point in the discussion of the finanand, when Sheridan had recited the eloquent peroration, Senator Morton could only acknowledge the corn, which he did handsomely, but Sheridan never spoke first again.

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The reporter mentioned his mission and found take the platform, and for an hour the audi- Miss Byrnes quite willing to tell the particulars ence would roar with laughter. One night of what she termed "an escape from death."

e country with some friends."
"All right," replied Senator Morton cheer-woman now. For eight years I was weak and fully; "you arrange it with the chairman of the meeting." miserable, and at times I could not walk. I was greatly troubled with indigestion, and But when Sheridan took the platform and began to deliver Morton's speech, word for stomach, not even a glass of milk. I had dizzy word, as the latter had delivered it every night spells, severe headaches, and my complexion for a fortnight, the Senator became very uneasy. He gave all Morton's arguments; he troubled me, and in fact I was all aches and pains. In going up a flight of stairs I had either to be assisted up, or would have to rest several times before I got to the top. At times nor of Indiana during the war, until the Senator was almost paralyzed; and finally, when he in them than lumps of ice. On one occasion while stopping at an hotel in Kingston, after cial problem where Morton was accustomed to compare a Pompeiian gold coin with a United down in a faint. The landlady found me in States greenback, he turned to the astonished | this condition and sent for a doctor, who after victim of this practical joke, and said in an undertone: "Let's have that coin." The senator handed it over without a murmur, was so badly run down that it was imperative that I should have absolute rest. His medicine had no beneficial effect that I could see, and I tried a number of other doctors, with no better results. I became so low that I cared for neither work nor pleasure, and my friends thought I had gone into consumption. It was at this juncture that I determined to give Dr. Williams' Pink Pills a trial, and my appearance to-day will show you what a wonderful change they have wrought in me. I continued taking A Well Known Young Lady in Napance Gives the Pink Pills for three months, and before fact be known for the benefit of other sufferers.

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SPORTING COMMENT

ECRETARY JOHN E. HALL of the Canadian Cricket Association has presented me with a copy of the Constitution and By-laws of the Association, intimating at the same time that had the presentation occurred sooner my article of last week would never have been written. It seems that two years ago the constitution was changed so that any cricket club on payment of a certain fee and on conforming with the by-laws may join the Association and be entitled to one representative on its executive committee. It seems, therefore, that the meeting which selected the Canadian eleven was competent to act. Secretary K. H. Cameron of the Ontario Association also informs me that a meeting of his Association was held this spring. Apparently this leaves me without a leg to stand upon, but I am still able to urge that there can scarcely be advanced any on why the Ontario Association should exist if the local clubs can join the Canadian Association. About eight or ten clubs constitute the O. C. A., and almost the very same clubs constitute the C. C. A.; and when the executive of either meets, those in attendance do not know which Association it is until they see whether Mr. Hall or Mr. Cameron reads the minutes of the last meeting. I realize the difficulties of keeping up these Associations, and freely admit that the men who keep them up are our best cricketers and men sincerely anxious to promote the best interests of the game, yet I think that men who show some capacity in other affairs might, if they tried, build up much better organization and one that would claim the confidence of cricketers.

Of the team selected, Messrs. G. S. Lyon of Rosedale, M. A. Walker of London, and Messrs. Gillespie and Fritz Martin of Hamilton are unable to play. Mr. Gillespie is unable to play owing to the death of his uncle, but with regard to the others it may be presumed that nothing has occurred since the night of the meeting to affect them. Representatives of Rosedale, Hamilton and London were present. These representatives should surely have been prepared to say what members of their clubs, if were available for the team if chosen Yet these delegates said nothing, or if they did, no attention was paid to them, and it was boastfully announced in the papers next day that the eleven was chosen unanimously and that a ballot was not required to select any one of them. This meant that the other players of the country were "not in it" at all compared with the eleven-that they were so admittedly second-class or second-choice men that their names did not need to be considered. The very next day Mr. Lyon of Rosedale announced that not go; a day or two Walker of London also declined: then Mr. Fritz Martin of Hamilton also withdrew. inability of these men to go to Philadelphia might have been ascertained on the night of meeting. It is decidedly unfair to the men who will finally go to Philadelphia to play in this match, that they should go after others have declined to play. I am told that Messrs. Acland and Henry of Ottawa, Mr. W. E. Dean of Parkdale, and Mr. E. G. Rykert of Toronto are the four men who will fill out the eleven. Messrs. Dean and Rykert are such thorough cricketers that I believe they will accept the soiled honor that is proffered them without making much protest, but I shall be surprised if the Ottawa men do not immediately refuse to play. If they are being invited and if they come to the rescue, cricketers should not forget

As we go to press I am informed that Mr. Lyon of Rosedale has agreed to play, and as he has this year the best all-round record in the country, cricketers will be glad that he is on the eleven.

Some weeks ago a correspondent wrote to enquire if ever in a first-class cricket match in England, and more especially in games between English and Australian elevens, there was any record of a side being retired for so small a score as the total of 18 made by the Australians against M.C.C. at Lord's. It was a hard question to answer, but I have happened upon the necessary information and will give it. It seems that in May, 1877, M.C.C. and Ground retired the Oxford eleven for a total of 12 runs, and this ranks as the smallest score ever made in a first-class match. The Australians may solace themselves with the recollection that on May 27, 1878, they retired M.C.C. and Ground for a total of 19 runs. In the recent game M.C.C. turned the tables for the disgrace

of '78. I have seen it stated that Notts and Leicestershire met in 1800 and the first innings resulted in totals of 16 and 15, the one run being in favor of Notts.

The Canadian team against the United States in Philadelphia, September 3 and 4, will be as follows:

W. A. Henry of Halifax (captain).
J. A. McIntosh of Halifax.
P. C. Goldingham of Toronto.

J. M. Laing of Toronto.
W. H. Cooper of Trinity.
George S. Lyon of Rosedale.
H. B. McGiverin of Hamilton.
J. Horstead of Chatham.

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The eleventh place has been offered to an Ottawa player; in fact, we may set it down that the eleventh man will be that most obliging player, A. N. Other, who is always called upon in an emergency.

Mr. A. Brewer of the Toronto C. C. has or ganized a new cricket club, known as the Butterflies. The organizer did not intend that this should be the name of the club, but it was christened when he wasn't looking, and he decided to let it go at that. The club will have no grounds and there will be no membership fee, the members joining on invitation of the organizer. Games are to be played with all the leading clubs, the opening game being against Rosedale on Wednesday. Players from all the clubs are enrolled on the scroll of the new club. The Butterflies will flit from scene to scene and frolic in the glad sunshine. One gentle man has offered a box of cigars to the first Butterfly who makes a century, and the club appears to have a delightful future, unless the report be true that Mr. P. C. Goldingham is going to organize a Grasshopper Club in opposition. It looks as if the air would soon be full of wings and things.

Yesterday and to-day the Wanderers of Chicago are playing cricket against Toronto and Rosedale. The tourists played at Chatham on Tuesday and won by 149 to 132. The rungetters for Chatham were: Richards 32, Robertson 21, Nicholls 20, Horstead 18 and Koffage 12. The Chicago eleven is a strong one, and good games should be played here. A Toronto, or perhaps an Ontario eleven, will visit Chicago about the middle of September it is expected.

The Toronto Cricketers gave Parkdale a severe beating on Saturday last, making 179 to 42. For the winners Rykert 41, Collins 36, Cooper 25, Loosemore 23, and Strathy 22 not out, were the scorers. Laing and Goldingham were dismissed for next to nothing, but they bowled splendidly, and the Parkdale men were retired in procession. The event of the past week was Mr. Lyon's score of 89 not out against Hamilton, with McGiverin, Fritz Martin and Fleet bowling. The man who can make such a score against Hamilton, and 121 against Toronto, is entitled to rank high as a batsman.

Bicycle riders greatly appreciate the improvement in the electric water-sprinkler used on the streets over which cars run. By a simple contrivance the water is thrown out in two sheets, leaving the devil-strip dry for wheelmen.

Mr. Jarvis, after going over and winning the yacht race at Toledo, should get a welcome home that he will not soon forget, especially as he was allowed to go almost alone to Toledo,

The match between the Tecumsehs and the Nationales was a brisk and lively game. The play was so good at times that one wondered why the visitors do not wheel in and beat the Montreals and the Shamrocks.

The Tecumsehs won at St. Catharines by 8 to 5, and to-day they play the Capitals at Ottawa. If the opening game between these clubs had been played at Ottawa I should have expected the Tecumsehs to win the return game at the Island, but, as it is, I fear on the larger Ottawa grounds the Capitals will outrun the Islanders and out-last them. When the Capitals come back again to the Island we may expect to have a look-in. The UMPIRE.



MR. J. R. STRATTON, M.PP.
The probable successor of Hon. W. D. Balfour as Provincial Secretary.



the summer in the Grand Opera House. A very discreet use of paint has resulted in a much brighter and warmer tone to the place, and two rows of the latest style of chairs have been run entirely around the parquette. The cloak-rooms and smoking-rooms added last year and the decorative work done in the halls and entrances this year, the arrangement that permits theater parties to alight from their carriages into shelter-these things put the Grand much in advance of what it was two years ago. The Old Homestead, the play that made Denman Thompson famous, will run at the Grand for the two weeks of the Fair. Denman Thompson, in writing The Old Homestead, aimed to construct a play that would please and amuse as large a class of theatergoers as possible. He builded more wisely than he knew, and when he produced The Old Homestead he gave to the theater-loving public a play that is destined to last as long as goodness of heart, true nobility and sterling manhood command respect and esteem. Those who know the play will eagerly seize the chance of seeing it again, and the people who will be in the city from the towns of Ontario are to be congratulated upon the chance they will enjoy of seeing this sterling comedy-

The Princess Theater, as well as the Grand Opera House, will be controlled by Mr. Whitney and managed by Ald. O. B. Sheppard, who will, of course, also manage the Grand as he has so ably done for years. The pretty theater on King street will open on September 7, with Hanlon's Superba, which I consider one of the finest attractions for Fair week that could possibly have been booked.

The Toronto Opera House has put into fine

shape for the opening next Monday night, and Manager Small has secured two capital attractions for the two weeks of the Exhibition. Beginning Monday night and running during the first Fair week, with Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday matinees, there will be presented A Happy Little Home, with George W. Monroe as the center of the home and the source of its happiness. This is a capital attraction with which to open the season. During the second week of the Fair, John W. Isham's Oriental America will be presented, and this attraction is spoken of everywhere as something unique.

Among the bookings for the Toronto Opera House season I find these companies: Ward & Vokes, the Wilbur Opera Company, A Night at the Circus, Willard Spenser's Little Tycoon, Ida Fuller's Vaudevilles, Louis Robie's Bohemians headed by the Black Patti, John W. Isham's Octoroons, the spectacular pantomime trans-Oceanies. I find that Manager Small has booked attractions clear through until the end of next April without a break, and he considers that this will prove the best season of entertainment that there has yet been at the Toronto Opera House.

George W. Monroe is pretty well known in Toronto and he expects to please his local friends with his work in A Happy Little Home Mrs. Gayfeather is a theosophical lady, and her husband attends the vaudeville concerts given by a bicycle club to which ladies are not admitted unless as performers. This naturally disturbs the peace of the home and leads to the employment of private detectives and many mix-ups, until presently Mr. Monroe finds himself ensconced in skirts and officiating as Lulu, the new housekeeper. His well known playfulness in such a role enables him to create a deal of fun. Mr. Gayfeather thinks he is having a big lark in palming off a bogus house keeper on his home, but in the end the tables are turned on him. After a hot summer the public will be ready to welcome the opening of the theaters Monday night and to heartily enjoy A Happy Little Home.

Roland Reed has a new comedy by George H. Broadhurst, entitled The Wrong Mr. Wright. It has already received its first presentation in Boston and is described as a winner.

Sol Smith Russell. another prime favorite in Toronto, has secured a new comedy called A Bachelor's Romance written by Martha Morton. Mr. Russell is so well pleased with the new piece that he has decided to shelve his old stand-bys, A Poor Relation, Peaceful Valley, Heir-at-Law, and An Everyday Man. Fred Berger is Mr. Russell's manager and he has secured a strong company and entirely new scenery and properties.

It may interest many of my readers to know omething of the origin of Drury Lane Theater. In 1660 King Charles II. granted Thomas Killigrew, a groom of the chamber, leave to erect a new theater in Drury lane. Previous to 1660 all stage-playing in London and the provinces had been under the direction of an official known as the Master of the Revels, and this functionary made strenuous, but, of course vain, efforts to prevent his occupation being taken out of his hands. Killigrew bought, or rather hired, a piece of land called Riding-yard for which he paid £50 a year. The present theater stands on the same spot. The new theater cost £1,500, was opened first in 1663, and burned down in 1671. Under Killigrew the veterans of the buskin took service. Many of them had fought and bled for their Royal master during the civil war, and this fact, and their great popularity, were no doubt reasons why they were treated with especial consideration by Charles II. They wore, we are told, a livery of scarlet and silver, and were styled "Gentlemen of the Great Chamber." Among those who first adorned the boards of the historic theater were Hart, a grand-nephew of Shakespeare, and Nell Gwynne. Hart's salary was never more than £3 a week till, as one of the shareholders, he received £1,000 a year. Nowadays, when the prima donna of the opera will not sing under £500 a night, and sometimes requires even more, the salaries of the early Drury lane actors seem very paltry. John Knight's highest salary was not more than £2 a night during the season, nor did Mrs. Siddons receive more than that sum even when she had been famous for years. For many years Kean received £3 8s. 8d. a night. After wards his salary was raised to £30, and finally to £40, for six acting days. The famous Mrs. Glover, head of the actresses at Drury lane between the years 1814-20, never earned more than £7 13s. 4d. weekly.

Waking Thoughts.

For Saturday Night.

Once more do I awake
To realize, to-morrow is to-day,
And to-day has passed to yesterday.
To-day, gone past for ever,
With all its disappointments, hopes and fears,
Its opportunities for good and ill,
All piled on top of other days,
Till the accumulation seems
To be beyond calm contemplation.
And so this to day will soon be sped,
And again shall I lie down to sleep,
And sweet forgetfulness of all,
To wake and find the process
Once again repeated,
Once more find hopes unfilled
And purposes and resolutions failed.
And this is time!
My God, what is eternity?

Anox

The Dream of a Drudge.

For Saturday Night.

One night I dream'd that life with me was o'er And that the Judge of all I stood before.

Great things to honor Him I oft had plann'd, But none had issued finished from my hand; For trivial tasks had taken all the time My soul in vain desired for works sublime; And so, before His Glorious Presence there, My trembling spirit stood, transfixed with fear. With stammering lamentations then I prayed Pardon and leniency for having laid His gifts, my talents, unimproved away To do life's menial drudgeries, day by day. When lo! the Judge I feared caressed my soul With one kind glance that all its sorrows stole; And, bending o'er me, whispered, "Peace, my child, The deed of deeds is duty!" Then He smiled.

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The South-west Wind.

For Saturday Night.
[The south-west winds are blowing monotonously, day and night, over Texas.]

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A spectre maid, that the harpies follow,
And weeping bear aloft her flowing train,
O'er the parched prairie and dusty wallow,
Comes singing delusive songs of rain.

But the rain, the glad rain, it cometh not, And from off the Gulf the hot winds sough, And though days be torrid and nights be hot, The rain-crow mocks from its live-oak bough.

Oh why, Mother Nature, mock our sorrow
With joyous songs of plenty, songs of rain?
Why bid us hope for a glad to-morrow [grain?
While you stay not the wind that blights our
HARRY A. BROWN.
Hargrove, Tex., August 17, 1896.

If I Should Die.

If I should die, how kind you all would grow, In that strange hour I should not have one foe! There are no words too beautiful to say Of one who goes for evermore away Across that ebbing tide which has no flow.

With what new lustre my good deeds would glow!
If faults were mine, no one would call them so,
Or speak of me in aught but praise that day,
If I should die.

Ah, friends! before my listening ear lies low,
While I can hear, and understand, bestow
That gentle treatment and fond love, I pray,
The lustre of whose late though radiant way,
Would gild my grave with mocking light, I know
If I should die.

Butterflies

Ladies' Home Journal.

Out in the churchyard the grass grew deep,
Where the peaceful dead were lying;
Over their quiet and holy sleep
The butterflies white were flying,
And one little child was playing there
In the churchyard, sunny and still;
He'd wandered away, in his kinocent play,
From the little white house on the hill.
"Butterflies, butterflies!" cried the child,
As he played on the grassy sod,
"You're the souls of the little dead children here

Fluttering up to God!"

Out in the churchyard a place new-made,
Waits for the innocent dead;
Still, for the dear little sleeper, there
Waited his quiet bed.
And a long farewell they say over him,
With kisses on lip and brow;
And, with flowers sweet at head and feet,
He goes from his mother now.
Butterflies flutter above her head,
As she kneels on the grassy sod,
And the little white soul of her precious one
Flutters away to God.

AMELIA SANFORD

Two Answers.

Munsey's.

"I love you sweet,"
I said to a child,
Whose curls in a mass of tangles wild
Fell over the shoulders, soft and fair,
Kissed by the sun and the summer air.

"I love you, sweet;"
And she turned and smiled,
The frank, fresh smile of a trusting child.
"I love you, too;

I love you best."

The lips of the little one confessed.

"I love you, sweet,"
I said to a maid,
And the dimples alternately went and stayetl.

"I love you, sweet;" and the laughing eyes,
Blue as the bluest summer skies,
Looked shyly up,
And as shyly down
Under the lashes of golden brown;
But I waited in vain for the words confessed—
"I love you, too;

I love you best."

MADELEINE GEALE.

An Open Confession.

Truth.

In my time I have written a lot of things
In a sort of a sing-song way,
To loosen the publisher's great purse strings,
That the grocer might get his pay.

I have sung of the clouds in the sunset sky.

Of the beauties of love and hope,
And often, to glean a check on the fly,
Of the marvels of someone's soap.

Though the critic may dirkle me with his dirk, I will warble my litting lay; Yes, I'll go right on with my fiendish work, While the bank holds out to pay.

For though it be middling, or bad, or good, While my Pegasus lives to trot, "Twill be simply jingle when understood, And poetry grand when not.

"Julia, I never see you at funerals." "No; when I go I always cry harder than the widow, and that makes people think I was in love with the man."—Facts and Fancies.



"A large theater party."

Canoe Association Meet.

GRINDSTONE ISLAND, August 26.



HE Grind stone Island, famous in story as the the A. C. A. camp of '98 is just halfway between Gananoque and Clayton, though a east. It is large enough for a goodsized town, so we are content with

of it, the north-east. "Headquarters," consisting of the tents of the commodore, secretary-treasurer and the regatta and camp-site committees, faces due east, and off here all the races take place. The general camp-fires the races take place. The general camp-fires are held here, and hither come all the fair that "abdication" is the last thought to damsels and sunburnt, bare-armed canoeists to read the bulletins and get their mail. On either side the swells of the camp are located, while around "Dead Man's Point" and along the northern shore are stretched the tents of the racing men and dead-game sports of the A.C.A. The Toronto Canoe Club in their tents are right at the Point, where their burgee flies with, of course, a Union Jack in close proximity.

There is a story about the T. C. C. which is too good to keep, though it is a little horrible. They arrived on Tuesday evening and next day built a dock for their fleet of canoes. Thursday morning two of them had been down to bathe were up in the tent drying themselves and feeling quite refreshed, when a shout from the dock startled them. "We've got a stiff," shouted one of the boys, and sure enough there was "Old Man Johnston," who had been run down by a steam launch a few days before, bobbing up and down under the brand-new dock. Imagine the feelings of the two who had been swimming within touching distance of "it." "Dead Man's Point" is where the T.C.C. live now, and the camp has the idea that things are coming their way.

Squaw Point, where the ladies live, is away south, and a large number of charming dames and misses are there under canvas. My unfortunate bashfulness has kept me from going over yet, but I hope to be able to speak from knowledge next week. Among the Canadians at Squaw Point are: Miss Pauline Johnson, Miss M. Leinster of Brantford, Miss Helen Wadsworth and Miss Parmenter of Toronto, Mrs. and Miss Britton of Gananoque, Mrs. D'Arcy Scott, Miss Scott of Ottawa, Mr. and Mrs. J. McKendrick, Miss Wilkinson of Galt, Miss Wilkinson of Goderich, Master Bruce and Miss Nora McKendrick of Galt, Miss M. Leinster, Miss F. K. Dodnell of Whitby, Mr. and Mrs. Easton Burns of Kingston.

In the men's camp are: Messrs. D. H. Mc-Dougall, R. O. King, J. W. Sparrow, George Dill, George A. Howell, all of the Toronto Cano Club, and Charles E. Archibald of the R.C. Y.C. of Toronto; C. Cartwright, J. McDonell Mowat, J. S. Skinner, A. B. Cunningham, H. T. Skinner, John McKay, jr., of Kingston; D'Arcy Scott, D. L. Scott, A. H. O'Brien, J. C. Edwards, John R. Arnoldi, E. C. Arnoldi, James Lawson, George P. Spittal of Ottawa; W. English, E. B. Edwards of Peterboro; F. R. Gilbert of Brockville; Frank A. C. Bickerdike, R. Bickerdike of Montreal:

Camp-fires are an institution and occur nightly. We went to one last night, a "stag," given by the Shottemuc Club and had a jolly time. A roaring fire in the center, boys all around, beer passing quickly (too quickly some times, for you miss it if you are not quick). songs, speeches, banjo, guitar, rapidly succeeding each other; in fact, a roaring fire and a roaring good time. The feature of the evening was an address on Free Silver by Senator Winnie of Albany, ably replied to by a Western man who advocated Free Iron. His peroration, "The poor man, gentlemen, the poor man can gather old nails, broken horseshoes, the rails of the railway belonging to the soulless and bring them to me, gentlemen. and on my little anvil I put the Government imprint on it and want will disappear from the land "knowcht down the house or rather all land" knowcht down the house or rather all land," brought down the house, or rather all The songs were all good, though we missed Tim Toolan and Beer, Beer, Glorious Beer, as they are not in it over here and we Bisley, who won the Kolapore Cup. The officers went home sober, thanks to the beer being social attention, and made themselves very

A lot of races came off to-day and resulted in a number of "also starteds." In fact, the racers are now divided into four classes, Winners, Alsos, Hasbeens, and Neverwuzzers, with the Also Starteds away in the lead. The T. C. C. played in rather hard luck, as of the three races they really wanted, only seconds ame their way. Noack of Detroit won the trophy double blade, with King, T.C.C., second; Bickerdike of Lachine the single blade paddling, with King second; and Bickerdike and cott, the single blade tandem, with King and McDougall, T.C.C., second, and three alsos. However, various other things came their way and they are feeling fairly good.

Dead Man's Point, as the Montrealers landed there as well as the stiff. We are going to friends. All valuable gifts which Sir Augustus Squaw Point to-night, and it goes without saying that we shall have a good time.

ffable Stranger-Kindly tell me what time Affable Stranger-Kindly tell me what time the four o'clock train leaves. Ticket Agent—Well, of all the chump questions! Say, you'd better chase yourself away before the depot falls on you. Affable Stranger—Oh, never mind, if the question irritates you. I just wanted a little information. I'm the new superintendent of the road, you know.—Cleveland Post.

Lady Finehealth (at hotel entrance)—No, I have no money to spare for you. I don't see why an able-bodied man like you should go around begging. Lazy Tramp—I s'pose, mum, it's fer about the same reason that a healthy woman like you boards at a hotel instead of keepin' house.

London Ladies' Letter.

LONDON, August 12, 1896.

London just now is in every sense of the word a "City of Silence." The streets are almost deserted, and as for the parks, they lack the usual mouvement of habitues. Even the song and Royal Family are keeping themselves to themselves. The last echoes of the wedding of place where Princess Maud of Wales to her cousin, Prince Charles of Denmark, have completely died away, and were it not for Li Hung Chang's arrival in the metropolis, London would not a little recall the appearance of Pompeii and Herculaneum. Of course the great Mandarin is being extensively lionized, and for one very good reason, that there is nobody else to make a fuss about, Li's visit to the Houses of Parlia ment much delighted the old viceroy and his little to the suite, and his trip to Osborne has been attended with as much good as that to the Prime Minister, Lord Salisbury, at Hatfield. The center of attraction for Londoners however, is at Cowes, whither the Prince of Wales, the Princess of Wales and their only remaining unmarried daughter have one corner repaired; they have been joined by Prince arters," con- and Princess Charles of Denmark, the newly-married royal couple. continues to enjoy the best of health, and what is not less satisfactory, she never was so active occupy her. But this is the "silly season," when the British fly canards as the Chinese do kites. Many schemes are being planned to celebrate next year with extraordinary eclat, officially as well as otherwise, the sixtieth anniversary of the Queen's reign.

"It is never too late to do good." Therefore it will be gratifying to all English-speaking peoples to learn that though no bust of Sir Walter Scott exists in Westminster Abbey, it has now been resolved that Scott will henceforth have his memorial among the other celebrated "literary worthies" in the Poets' Corner. As in the case of the Volunteer memorials in Toronto, ladies have not been backward in hinting about the too long duration of the oversight, and thanks to the energy displayed by the fair sex, the omission may now be considered as rectified. Sir Walter is almost as much a favorite with Britishers as is Shakespeare. The coming memorial will be a reproduction of Chantrey's bust of Sir Walter at Abbotsford. It may not be generally known that when the sculptor originally executed that bust he represented Scott looking up, the natural attitude of poets. When Chantrey met Sir Walter in society he observed his atti-tude was that of looking down. On returning home he corrected his work accordingly. remarkable event was then utilized. When Shakespeare's tomb had been opened, it was found that his skull and that of Scott's were identical in measurement. Another strange but happy coincidence: the room, the parlor of John Murray's house, wherein the eting took place for erecting the memorial in Westminster Abbey, turned out to be the very same where Scott first met Lord Byron, and Sir Walter's own writing-desk was lying before the chairman, that good friend to Canada, the Marquis of Lorne.

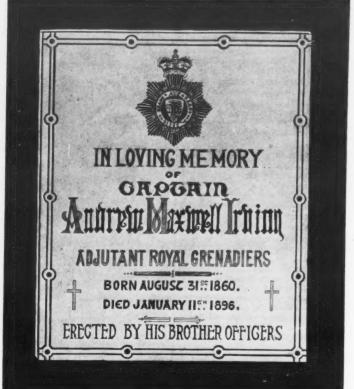
The Canadian Artillery team which won the Queen's Prize at Shoeburyness has attracted a great deal of interest in this country, perhaps



even more than the Canadian sharpshooters at o singers. We broke up early and all of the Artillery team received every fitting popular on all sides. The accompanying portrait of Lieut. Col. Cole appeared in the St. James' Budget, and interviews with him and other members of the team were given in some of the newspapers. Australia used to be all the talk in this country, but in the past three or four years Canada has become the colony most spoken of in the newspapers. Among the ommon people Australia is perhaps still oftenest mentioned.

All theater-goers, and none more so than the fair sex, were admirers of the late Sir Augustus Harris; hence, the interest taken about the future destiny of the deceased's places of amusement. Sir Augustus left all his property to his wife, with instructions to act for the This is all attributed to what came ashore at | best. Many of the late manager's souvenirs have been distributed among his intimate received during his life-time as marks of re spect and esteem, became the property, as well as the household furniture, carriages and horses, of both Lady Harris and her only daughter, Miss Florence Nellie, At the time of his death there was a standing bank balance in favor of the late director of nearly £24,000. The management of Drury Lane, as well as of Covent Garden, and the Lyceum theaters, is in the hands of Sir Augustus's secretary, who will continue to follow the plans and spirit of man-

agement of the much regretted director. The cycling mania increases rather than parks form a wonderful sight. Battersea is par to a jeweler's.



wall of St. James' church in this city by the officers of the 10th Royal Grenadiers a brass to the memory of their deceased comrade, Andrew

Maxwell Irving. Of this memorial a cut is given herewith.

There has just been placed on the southern | Of the man it commemorates we have already spoken in words of affection and regret. By journalists, as Maxwell Drew, by men of the Grenadiers as "our adjutant," by his family and friends as dear genial "Andy," he was alike beloved.

"'Sir,' said I, 'here are some

kindly tell me if they are worth anything?

with a look of suspicion:

first water.'

diamonds I would like to dispose of. Will you

"The man examined them most carefully,

They are worth seventy thousand francs.

testing them by a magnifying glass and touch-

stone. After a good half-hour he said curtly,

sir. These stones are perfectly real and of the

"For a moment I stood stunned. I felt as

"" Wretched woman! I cried, and escaped

"I ran through the streets until I crossed a

bridge. The thought of throwing myself into

the Seine came to me, but I shrank from the

many people who were gazing at me. I decided

remembered the poor hungry child at home. I

mother. I sold my clothes, my books, the

ceived orders only two years ago, and now, lost

A Clever Lawyer.

Buffalo Courie

authorities for success. At a critical juncture

the judge interrupted the speaker with this enquiry: "Yes, I understand, but where are

briskly, "I will explain the absence of authori-

ties, with your permission, by telling a little

practice had produced in court in support of a

the young man to read page upon page of dry

decisions, the judge at length interrupted

wearily, 'You are just beginning to practice,'

said he: 'let me give some advice. It does

very well to cite authorities once in a while, but

you must always trust somewhat to the com-mon sense of the Court."

take, but it won our old friend his case.

It was a bold, almost audacious position to

hurriedly, leaving the diamonds behind.

though molten lead had been poured into my

excellence the park most resorted to by all classes; it truly forms a Rotten Row. It cuts out almost a Motherland-Colonial cricket club match; it eclipses the attractions of a tripos contest of sweet girl graduates at Oxford: unless Girton and Newsham nymphs can top the list in bicycle gymkhana, their tripos results will not weigh for much. The ladies have cut the rational dress, and prefer the specially made skirt after their own experience of conveniency. The plan admits of suiting the color of the toilette to the bike, because the latter now is of any color that the wheelwoman prefers. Yellow is a favorite color for bicycles just now. Accidents of course are unhappily frequent, where the rider is often more crushed than she crushes. One cannot have eves in the back of the head, but the tiny upright mirror over the handle-bar allows all vehicles following behind to be seen in time. This is said to

to buy a pistol. I had no money, and then I be an American invention. In the Rue d'Allemagne, in Paris, which leads to the took him to the parents of his execrable cattle market, a bullock lately escaped and, furniture, and I entered Saint-Sulpice. I remaddened by the heat, rushed along the street, going right and left. A mirror-bicycle not only warned the rider in time, but enabled him in a country parish, I try to forget." to wheel along at lightning speed in advance and tell others to save themselves before it was too late. MODISTE.

A Story of Diamonds.

TRANSLATED FROM THE FRENCH OF DJALILE. San Francisco Town Talk.

WAS staying at a small fishing village in the north of France, where the scenery was beautiful and the fishing abundant enough to satisfy even as ardent a sportsman as myself. At the same inn stayed a priest, a man of magnificent physique, I met him on the beach each morning. As I started for my boat he went to the neighboring hamlet to say mass. At first he avoided me, but finally we became quite intimate, and I found him an intelligent man of the world, without any of the prejudices of his class. felt sure that his life held a secret, and that some time he would tell me about it. It was near the end of my outing, when one day, graver than usual, he said: "My friend, I am graver than usual, he said: not unmindful of the sympathy you have for me. Before we part I want you to know me entirely, and I will tell you of my life. Only promise that if ever you write the story of it ou will not betray who or where I am.

I nodded affirmatively. "Well, know then that only since three years have I entered the priesthood. Long before that I loved—loved with all my soul and strength—a creature. I must be brief—the pain is still too great. I really thought myself stronger. Well, I married her. She had no dowry, and I worked like a slave to give her the luxuries she craved-diamonds especially. She loved them above all things. Those which through many nights of toil I had been able to buy her were very modest. One day, as with busy pen I was toiling for her, she entered my room, dazzling with two enormous solitaires in her ears.

"'See what I have just bought!' she cried gleefully.

"'But my child,' I remonstrated, 'these stones are worth a fortune. We shall never be able to pay for them.'

"'Oh,' she laughed, 'do not be alarmed. They are paste, and so cheap. But what a splendid imitation! Wouldn't you almost swear that they are real?

"All this was said in her sweet, caressing voice, with such apparent frankness that her gladness made me happy. I loved her so!

* She kissed me, and the kiss did not burn my lips. From this day on her jewel-case filled so rapidly that, in spite of my unbounded confidence in her, I could not rid myself of a vague alarm. Whenever I mentioned the sub ject of her imitation jewelry to her she would close my mouth with kisses, and I was silent. Six years ago she died, leaving me and her new-born babe. Her death almost drove me crazy. I could not gather my ideas long enough to write a line. My poverty became so extreme that the little one vainly cried for bread. Then only I bethought myself of the The hours for society wheelers in the glittering trinkets. I took a handful of them good fellowship, because in the intervals of conversation the expression "Here's to you," or "Here's looking at you," very largely entered the social functions. George was the bartender, and when the conversation switched on to sneak thieving a pained expression covered

his face, and he expressed his views. "I say, boys," said George, "I ain't got no use for fellows that would steal little trifling things, which, so far as their value is concerned, don't amount to much. When a friend sends a fellow a nice little cap, suitable for smoking in or bicycling in, and you see it on the head of a jay the very next day driving a milk wagon, it knocks me cold and my respect

George Had No Use For Sneak

Thieves.

HIS CITY COUSIN.

LITTLE room, part and parcel of a

hotel, situate in a railway town not far from the hub of Ontario, and in it

sat four or five kindred spirits. This

room was not the jug-room, but, not inaptly, might be called the room of

point. I despise such cattle. If I'd been asked for the cap I'd have given it cheerfully.
"You know, Aleck," addressing a member of the company, "that fellow that was here last fall some time and tried to palm himself

for human nature drops below the freezing

off as my cousin?" "Yes, I remember," remarked Aleck. "it was about the end of October or the beginning of November. Yes, I recollect the party. It was about seven o'clock at night. He was slick and no mistake."

"Well," continued George, "this mug came to me two years before that time and said he was my cousin. I couldn't contradict him, because I didn't know whether he was or not, so I give him two dollars and didn't ask him when he'd pay me back, as he looked as if he'd gone through a threshing-machine. Well, he went away and I didn't see him, for two years after. Then he had a wad of bills and a good suit of clothes. Do you know, he didn't ask me if I wanted that two dollars back again, or ask me if I had a mouth on; so I treated him two or three times and gave him a room and told him to make the hotel his home as long as he stayed, because I wouldn't go back on my cousin, though I only had his word for it. Well, he didn't refuse anything. He acted as if he was born to own the earth. About ten o'clock the same night one of the girls came down and said there was somebody in my room. I told her it was all right, as I supposed my cousin took my room for his own, as they were both alike. But she acted as if there was a burglar in the house. So, to please her, I went up to my room and found my cousin there with a lighted lamp, and just putting my new silk tie on before the glass. He already had on my twenty-seven-dollar dress-suit, and under that he had another good suit of mine over his own; that made three suits he had on, and he had my best hat beside him. I was nearly paralyzed with surprise, and I had just enough speech left to say "Peel." He began to snivel and asked me not to hurt him. I didn't say anything but "Peel," and he peeled off my two suits, shoes, stockings, ties and hat. Then I just took him by the back of the neck into the stairway and let him have it wherever it happened to land. I told him if he ever showed his nose in these parts again there wouldn't be

enough left of him to hold a post mortem over. You remember it, don't you, Aleck?" A capital story is told of one of the oldest practitioners at the Erie county bar. He was "Yes," said Aleck; "it was in the early part arguing a motion at a neighboring county of November or the last of October. It was the seat, and, as it sometimes happens, was dependtalk of the neighbors." ing more upon his own sound logic than upon

What'll you have, gentlemen?"

Lawyers at Ottawa.

your authorities upon the subject?"
"If your Honor please," retorted our friend In the House of Commons, as a result of the Dominion elections, there are now 63 lawyers, 33 farmers, 26 merchants, 21 physicians, 19 gentlemen, 12 manufacturers, 10 journalists, 6 young man freshly admitted to mill owners, 3 contractors, 3 real estate agents, 2 surveyors, 1 veterinary surgeon, 1 township motion a wealth of authorities. After allowing clerk, 2 distillers, 1 financial agent, 1 insurance manager, 1 banker, 1 shipowner, 1 rancher, 1 oil refiner, 1 printer, and 1 civil engineer. It will be observed that the lawyers are still on

"Is your mamma in?" "What's your name?"
"I'm Mr. Whiteband, the new minister."
"Then I guess mamma's expectin' you—'cause
she said she'd bet a dollar you'd be sure to come
on wash day!"—Cleveland Post.

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Anecdotal.

The recent scandal in Berlin recalls the story of Schweninger's appointment as body physician to Prince Bismarck. At their first interview the prince lost his temper and growled: "Don't ask so many questions;" to which Schweninger replied; "What you need is a horse doctor; he asks no questions." Whereupon Bismarck scowled, and presently tugged at the bell. The doctor was in doubt as to whether he was not to be shown out into the street. But the command was: "Fetch the doctor's things from the station.

A few days ago, says Tit-Bits, an annual cricket match was played between two grammar schools. A had been disposed of, and B wanted three runs to win. The last man was in, and the head master had carried his bat so far when, in endeavoring to secure a short run, the umpire, a boy of his own school, declared "Out!" "What!" shouted the master, "that "Yes, sir, clean out, sir." For a moment the pedagogue was staggered at the youth's audacity; then pushing his bat up under his arm he started for the pavilion, stopping, however, opposite the umpire to exclaim, in a voice of mingled indignation and contempt: "Gibbs, write me out three hundred lines!"

An amusing incident occurred in a performance of The Telephone Girl at Birmingham. In the play, Prince Imatoff invites Lottie and the other telephone girls to supper, and sends the message through the telephone, adding the fact that he is a real, live prince. The reply came back, "Rats!" The Prince, in astonishment, turns to Lottie for an explanation, and "What is 'Rats'?" Just at this point in the performance at Birmingham, a huge rat dashed across the boards, took temporary refuge under a sofa, and, scuttling back again. dived under the edge of a private box and disappeared. No further explanation of "rats" was necessary. The audience shrieked with laughter, in which the actors joined.

Mr. Conan Doyle is a remarkably quick worker. Most of his time really seems to be given up to the healthy enjoyment of life. He seems, however, to be able economically to combine work with play. For instance, one may see him engaged in a vigorous game of cricket in the early afternoon, and the cricket may be followed by a brisk country walk with a friend. Returning from the walk, Mr. Doyle will say to the friend, "We dine at eight o'clock. Perhaps you would like to take a stroll around the garden before dressing, while I go upstairs." And he retires, presumably to enjoy a rest. After dinner he may make some such quiet remark as this to his friend, "By the way, a rather happy idea occurred to me during our walk this afternoon." Hereupon he gives the outline of a very fine plot. "What a capital idea for a short story!" exclaims the friend. "So I

Sir Frank Lockwood, who accompanies Lord Chief Justice Russell on his tour and who will be with him in Toronto at the Industrial Fair, is considered the humorist of the British Bar. He is one of the most amusing after-dinner speakers in London. But on one occasion he got the worst of it in a very unexpected place, and we retell the story because it has a timely bearing. Mr. Waddy, Q. C., is a popular advocate, and once on entering the pulpit in a circuit town he was staggered to see sitting on meeting in prayer. Lockwood was paniethat you saw thus, and so; how far can you see a beast to know it?" "Just as far off as I am from you," promptly returned the witness These stories are rather against Sir Frank, but the stories in which his wit excelled are so numerous that these form a pleasant variety.

Learning to Play Golf.

First Young Lady (learning golf)—Dear me, what shall I do now? This ball is in a hole. Second Young Lady (looking over a book of

instructions)-Let-me-see. I presume you will have to take a stick of the right shape to get it out.

First Young Lady-Oh, yes, of course. See if you can find one like a dustpan and brush.

Between You and Me.

HE fool hath said in his heart, "I will ride a bicycle!" There have been timorous, uncertain, profane and misguided men and women who have said the same. but the fools are only becoming conspicuous since the bicycle liveries have hung out their little signs. Previ ous to the hanging there may have been here and there a funny man, or a half-baked man, or a reckless man who risked a hundred or more dollars on a show-off, but for one of such people one saw last year there are a score this year. The greatest fool I have met is the serpentine fool, he who suddenly is seized with a whim to make braiding patterns in the dust and swoop ng curves and turns unexpected by the addled rider who tries to pass him but dares not for fear of a spill. Such an one was showing how little sense a man can do with, yesterday when I wanted to get home in a hurry. He didn't mean to annoy, but I had a great and sudden impulse to breathe a prayer to St. Gertrude and steer straight into him, and some day I shall! There is an angle at which I can upset him and remain upright, and nothing but a fall of a hard nature will do him good.

The other day a new-comer in Toronto was entertaining me with some of her experiences. People had been taking an interest in her and giving her hints as to whom she should know. She spoke of it plaintively. "First, Mrs. A. warned me not to be very friendly with Mrs. B., then I got a suggestion from Mrs B. that it wouldn't be wise to trust Mrs. A. and while I was studying over these pointers I found that Mrs. A. and Mrs. B. were very dear friends. Wasn't it queer?" I agreed that queer was the word, but advised her in turn to judge for herself, and make a friend of Mrs. A. and love Mrs. B., and never listen to a word either of them said about anybody. For the whole thing is paltry beyond description, and the woman who presumes to warn another, unless for some notorious cause, is most paltry of all.

I hate to hear people proclaim their love for sincerity. It's about as sensible as proclaiming one's need of fresh air, or a bath, or anything one is desirous of naturally. We all prefer sincerity, if we aren't Irish; of course Irish people adore a bit of humbug and enjoy im possible compliments, but the balance of the world rather likes one to mean what one pro-That's what makes the rest of the world less charming. For my part, I find no man or woman so insufferable as the one who, questioning "But is she sincere?" throws an atmosphere of doubt and discomfort about one. Does our life depend upon just how real are the love and interest of our neighbors in us? I not. There are things, the sincerity of which one questions not; the good-will of God, the love of one's mother, these two at all events and with these two assured I can stand lots of pretty humbug from all creation.

When one doesn't live in large premises and rejoice in an acre of lawn, one misses lots of quiet and also lots of fun. I am sometimes naughty enough to enjoy my neighbors' scraps over the misdoings of their several olive branches. Some of them have a quiverful of stirring little mortals; some have one, two or three, and the mother's fussiness, strange to say, decreases as her responsibilities increase. I am always sorry for one child alone in a family. What heaps of fun it misses! What plottings, and quarrelings, and make-believes, and mischief! One child can't get properly into scrapes, and old grown-up people are so condescending and clumsy and stupid, it's no fun to play with them. Did you ever pretend your auntie or your grown-up sister was your little girl? Wasn't she a silly at it? Never pouted, nor hunched her shoulders, nor put out her tongue once, as all well posted bad little girls do-and there was so much of her to whip! My! A day's work. There is no emotion in your life to-day so hearty as your oldtime contempt for that silly creature.

It must be difficult for mothers whose children quarrel to remain amiable toward each other. Sometimes I am quite glad that Providence, having denied me acres, denied me also any little Gays. Perhaps I should be at this present moment hanging over thought," remarks the novelist. "Well, will some neighbor's gate and exchanging you do it?" "Oh, I've, done it," comes Mr. Doyle's calm reply. "I wrote the story while vou were walking in the garden."

| Address of solid line in the story while vou were walking in the garden." | Johnnie to break some of the Commandments. That is the funny part of it; it's always the other woman's children who do the teaching. though the other woman is ready to make affidavit that her Tommy learned rude action and profane speech from Past Master Johnnie, and that the hair-pulling was inaugurated by Janie herself!

An interesting season is upon us. People are coming home from their summer retreats Methodist preacher as well as a prosperous and one hears all sorts of things! Flirtations between the young gentleman of the elite and some unknown but bewitching young woman, a front seat no less a person than the facetious and, "if his mother knew, what would she Lockwood. His first impulse was to escape say!" Wild tales of midnight orgies of harumfrom a rear door, but instead he gave out a scarum students, which lose nothing in the hymn and then added that he was pleased to telling, only receiving their refutation in the see with them that morning his friend and professional brother, Mr. Lockwood the had not eyes of the boys; whispered hints anent the then a handle to his name), on whom, after the giddy young matron who lingered late in singing of the hymn, he would call to lead the shady corners of the veranda with old So-andso, or accepted a cigarette for young Thing-astricken and as soon as the singing began he seized his hat and fled. On one occasion Sir merry holiday girls who forgot Grundy in the Frank was defending a man who was accused of stealing cattle; "beasts" they call them. "Now, my man," said Lockwood, "you say when the whirl of the city life presents newer LADY GAY.

Pip—A lawyer's highest aim should be to keep his clients out of law. Flip—True; but the trouble is so many of them are content to take a humbler view of the matter.—Truth.

"What are your polities, my man?" asked the portly visitor of the prisoner behind the bars at the penitentiary. "Well," replied the latter hesitatingly, "I haven't come out for anybody yet."—Buffalo Times.

"Don't you get awfully tired doing nothing all the time?" asked the young man who thought himself interested in sociology. "Mister," answered Perry Patettic, "I git so tired doin' nothin' dat I can't do nothin' else."—Cincinnati Enquirer.



Butler (examining silver spoons)-This man 'Sterling' do make an awful soight av silver-

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Mamie.-You acted innocently, but in such an nventional manner that I am not surprised the ady snubbed you.

S. W. F.-I am sorry for the Banner. Your writing simply awful, and your poetry is-well, never mind. I really can't read your study.

ROBERT BURNS.-I do not think you can obtain the article in Toronto. Ask the president of the Caledonian Society or Mr. Cringan, the conductor of the Caledonia choir.

C. E.-The Saxon type is blonde, fair hair and blue yes, with fine pink complexions. They were so striking in this respect that an ancient foreigner on seeing some Saxon slaves exposed for sale, and being told they were "Angles" (Anglo-Saxons) said, "Not Angles, but angels." Did you not learn that in your Child's History of England? Most of us did.

Mac.-1. You can procure modeling clay from Iarris, 44 King street east, for five cents a pound. 2. Your writing is slightly artificial, showing some striving after effect. You are cautious, clever, and have good imagination, but are no logician; temper is good, and ambition very observable; adaptability, enterprise and sense of beauty are all strong. A very lively study.

QUEBEC.—1. I am glad you agreed with my reading of your friend's character. 2. Your writing shows ome concentration, tenacious opinions, a hopeful disposition, strong nervous power, light will, excellent decision and discretion. You are not easily in-fluenced by the opposite sex. Your logical power is fair, but not equal to much strain. Your sense of onor is fine and your temper a little variable.

LAUDERDALE.-You are deliberate, methodical. neat and probably an excellent and reliable person, appreciative of beauty, a pronounced idealist, and not by any means a powerful reasoner. You are somewhat imaginative, fond of study and conversa-tion, and slightly speculative in thought. Should be sweet-tempered, but are not magnetic nor markedly forceful. The defects may be those of youth: I am is evidently an uncommon character. forceful. The defects may be those of youth; I am not sure of it. Truth, sense of honor and generosity are also evident.

CECIL-1. I think you are rather unreasonable to say you know your character is not formed, and then ask me to tell you what it is like. 2. Your lines show amoition to rise, hope and gentleness of disposition. You are rather reliable in judgment, discreet and cautious in speech and action, fond of refined surroundings and alive to all such influences. The study lacks force and decision; is also rather lacking in concentration and snap. 3. The words a tencara are Italian, and mean, To thee, my darling. Fra Diavolo is Brother Diavolo, and I presume you know the story of the opera.

JEANIE.-1. What a little humbug! Lady Gay ays so, anyway, for how could anyone read her little screeds week after week for "a long time," as you say you've done, and then want to know if she chain is a black silk guard.

rode a bicycle? She certainly does, and quite coincides in your views thereupon. So you are coming to live in Toronto this fall. Well, you will probably like it, even if you are from Hamilton. 2. Your writing shows much energy, impulse and imagina tion, adaptability, frankness and vitality; you think a lot of yourself, are independent, chatty, a little careless, and what I think a very attractive young lady.

KITTEN.—How do you know the view from you windows cannot be surpassed, dear little feline? agree with you that you have a lovely outlook. enjoyed it from those very windows last month; but you have not perhaps seen all the European beauty spots. All the same, you have a charming home, and no one admires it more than I do. 2. Your writing shows a character not moulded to its concrete form, a trifle weak in aim, honest and direct in method somewhat susceptible, tenacious of opinions, fond of social intercourse, not remarkably taciturn, with good sequence of ideas, perseverance and an unselfish nature. I fancy you will turn out a fine character if you take the trouble to discipline yourself, to think and study.

C.M.—This writing shows original, impatient and forcible lines. The writer is somewhat ambitious, quick in perception, and rather erratic in impulse; the temperament anything but placid, and the mind untrained to steady reasoning. Writer is not senti-mental nor apt to be easily led; the purpose is not steady nor decision firm. The marks of indecision are natural ir such a highstrung nature, and will probably disappear in time. I have studied this postal against rules, as the rubbing of transmission destroys some of the character of the lines. With a study I could understand them better proper study I could understand them better Writer has no mean traits, is generous, companion able and frank. I fancy he would have times of despondency, but this again is often noticeable in undisciplined writing.

LODIE DOTTE .-- 1. That's as near as I can venture to your signature. 2. It never struck me that Millais' life contained any strong argument for immortality. His work quite fails to appeal to my soul, though it pleases my senses. How much have you studied his life and work? His personality was decidedly mundane, and I was quite surprised at the impression you confessed to. However, chacun of son gout! 3. Your writing shows a very animated and forceful nature, prone to erratic impulses, rather refined and full of ambition to rise above the dead level. You are self-reliant, emphatic, somewhat proud and assertive, but show much character and make a very interesting study. Your purpose is firm

Mourning Wear tor Gentlemen. Ladies' Home Journal.

Someone has asked about mourning wear for a gentleman. This is seldom assumed except for a wife or a mother, and then it is worn for one year. During the year the business suit is of rough black cloth, and the frock coat, as sumed for afternoon, is of the same material. The hatter puts a black band, which is of fine cloth and not crape, on the hat. The gloves are of black glacé kid, and the handkerchief is all white. The scarf should be of dead black silk and no pin should be worn. The cuff-links are



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Of Canadian collections of pictures, that of Mr. R. B. Angus of Montreal ranks among the first, both as to its size and the rare quality of the pictures; its owner is also known as a most generous patron of Canadian art. Of these pictures, a group of early English artists, now so much in favor among discreet buyers, and a few of the Dutch artists have a room to themselves. Here are Romney's portrait of the Hon. Mrs. Wright, full of quiet dignity, the flesh seeming to have lost little in freshness of color; Sir Joshua Reynolds' of Lady Spencer, the figure of a young girl in profile, seated, with head resting on hand; Gainsborough's Mrs. Stroope Egerton; Rembrandt's portrait of his first wife; a family group by Franz Hals of father, mother and two little girls, quaint and demure in dress and attitude; a cavalier's head by Cox and a small portrait by Gerard Dow; a landscape by Wilson and a view of Salisbury cathedral by Gainsborough.

Benjamin Constant's magnificently painted

girl with the red-gold hair sits facing you, a hand each side resting on the seat, the pink skirt and green girdle making a harmony with the surrounding browns. It is a picture, perhaps, in which the artist would see most to enjoy. Daumier's Spectacle Gratis is an interrogation point; a crowd of eager faces, in full view, bend over a balcony, strained, eager, interested, splendidly painted and skilfully grouped, looking at—what? The only example of George Watts we know of in Canada (for the artist does not part readily with his work, is not in the least eager to sell) is here. Love's Whisper is the title—a shep-herd's head; the expression of the face, one of intent listening to the little figure whispering in his ear; there is no exhibition of technique, but a most successful attempt to express an idea. It has been said that to really know Montecelli one must visit Montreal, and this can readily be understood after seeing the number of his pictures owned there. Of these, two very fine examples are in this collection. Fête Champetre is in his most glowing man-ner. Dagnan-Bouveret's Pardon we became familiar with in Toronto, as also with two small canvases by Diaz. We can but mention a fine Corot; Centaurs by Fromentin; a head by Heuner of the type he so much admired—red the pedestal being about the same. Her Mahair and creamy flesh against a greenish-blue jesty is represented as she was at the opening background; a group of cattle by Jules Dupré; several by both Bonvin and Decamps; Ophelia by Delacroix; a group of three cows by Van Marcke, several by both Bonvin and Decamps: Ophelia by Delacroix, a group of three cows by Yam Marche, which it is interesting to compare with a yoke of oxen and cart by Troyon that hangs each the beautiful of the property of the though the search as hillside with sheep and shepherd by Charles Jacques; Jeanie Deans and the Laird by W. Q. Orchardson, R.A.; a stormy sky and sea by Eugene leakey, abounding in life and mother than the control of the brash. M. Geröme has turned his attention more or less to sculpture, for which, indeed the suspending district of the theory. The search of the third with the suspending district of the suspending dis which it is interesting to compare with a yoke of oxen and cart by Troyon that hangs near;

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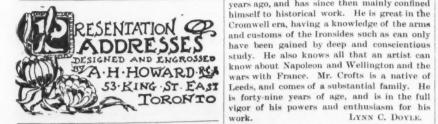
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St. Privo, but his methods are very different: the effect of the glare on the water of a narrow stream is given in broad masses of almost pure white which one cannot forget are paint until the proper distance is reached and the correct attitude of mind attained. R. L. Newman, Etty, Ranger, Pelouse, Swan, and others are also well represented. Just a word about a water-color by Arthur Melville, one of the foremost men of the Glasgow school. Awaiting an Audience with the Pasha it is called, and it is probably a result of the artist's three years' travel through Africa and Asia, the knowledge is so evidently first-hand. The striking arrangement of the wide pillared court, and the figures grouped in the dusky distance, the glow of color in the rug and Oriental costumes, show the artist's mastery over light and color.

A statue of the Queen by Mr. W. Hamo Thornycroft, R.A., has recently been placed in the center of the paved court of the Royal Exchange, London. It is of Carrara marble. and the height of the figure itself is 8 feet, of the Exchange in 1846, wearing the crown and parliamentary robe. In the right hand she holds a sceptre and in her left an orb on which is a small statuette of Victory in silvered bronze.

that time Viscount Eastnor. He is reported to have exclaimed aloud in the gallery: "I must know that woman!" By the merest accident the two met on the following day,

to have gained access to the sanctity of his new asking. He had never been in the running for such a dignity before. The new R.A. has had a long probationary spell as an Academician. He was elected to the minor state eighteen years ago, and has since then mainly confined himself to historical work. He is great in the vigor of his powers and enthusiasm for his work.

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Customer—I would like to have a nice gown to wear around the house. Salesman—Size of the house, please !—Philadelphia Record.

"The butcher offered me his hand this morning," said the hired girl. "Indeed?" "Yes'm. He tried to sell it to me with the steak, but I made him take it off the scales."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The American people have often been accused of worshipping the Golden Calf. Can it be, however, that the majority of them are now in danger of falling down in adoration before the Silver Ass?—Philadelphia Record.

Brick and Marble.

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"I found Rome built of brick; I left it built of marble," said Augustus Cæsar.

Which is something to boast of. Whosoever turns a sheep pasture into a cornfield, or makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before, is so far a benefactor to his race. And whosoever finds the world cursed by pain and disease, and leaves behind him the knowledge how to overcome it—at least in part—is worthy even of a better guerdon. This a few have done, and their crowns of blessing will remain bright ages after the Roman emperors have been utterly forgotten.

Here is a short story in that line. Mrs. Monica Barrett worked in a mill, and does yet. She belongs to the great multitude in England who depend on their labor for a living. The question with her is, What can my two hands do? not, How shall I spend my income? Her husband (who will pardon us for mentioning it) is a shoemaker, and a good one. He hammers away at his bench, and his wife toils at the mill—as we said. It takes both to keep the pot boiling, and to find meat to put in that same pot. Early hours and late, no matter how backs may ache and eyelids grow heavy with sleep; that's the way it goes.

Well, some time in 1885, this woman began to lose her power to work. You who (like the writer of these lines) must work, or have no money for the butcher, the baker, or the landlord, understand what it means to have to knock off work. Yet we stick as long as we can. To be sure. Who consents to drown so long as there is a straw to clutch at? She held on when she ought to have been in bed at home.

"I could hardly stand at the loom," she says, "I was so weak. I had been ill ever since the

He Was a Gentleman.

When the sheriff went over from Golden Hill to Lucky Valley after Jim Sanders, who was and a few months later were married. One of their three daughters is Lady Henry Somerset. wanted for shooting Dan Williams in a quarrel over a game of cards, he didn't even take a gun along. He found his man in a saloon and Mr. Ernest Crofts, the new R.A., is fortunate asked him to step up and take a drink. Jim complied, but kept a hand on his gun. When condition at what is practically the first time of they had drunk they sat down, and the sheriff told three or four funny stories. By and by the puzzled Jim broke out with:

'See here, Joe, did you come over after me?" "Wall, I thought you might want to jog along back with me," was the reply.

Not much! I'll never be taken alive!" "Then that settles it. Let's hev another

They drank again and the official told a very funny story about a tenderfoot's experience in Golden City. Jim laughed as loudly as the others, but presently grew serious and said :

"Say, Joe, ye can't take me alive!" "Wall, we won't worry about that, Jim," was the reply. "Let's hev another nip and then a game of cards."

The game lasted until the sheriff had lost about twenty dollars. Then he ordered drinks and sang a song. When the song was finished he said to Sanders :

"Jim, hevn't I made things pleasant fur you to-day?"

"You hev, Joe, and no mistake." "Treated you like a gentleman, hevn't I?"

"You certainly hev."



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"Of course you did. "And they want to hang me."

'Of course they do, but that's nothin' to me. I don't make the laws. I was sent out arter you, and I want to take you back. I could hev sneaked in and got the drop on ye, but I knowed 'twould hurt your pride. Hevn't I been tender with ye, Jim?"

"You hev, Joe, but I don't want to be hung."
"I s'pose not, but see how nice I've used ye. Would any other sheriff hev done it?"

"No, I reckon not."

"Of course not, and if you are hung won't I boss the job and make it as easy as possible?'
Just come right along to ableege me, Jim." "Would it be a great favor to you?"

"It would, and it would show me that you was a gentleman to boot. I'm a gentleman my-

self, and I kin appreciate a gentleman."
"Wall, Joe," said Jim, after a moment's thought, "I did say I wouldn't and I did think I didn't want to be hung, but to obleege you and to show these critters that I know what

"That's my way of doing things. Now I good manners is, I'll go along with ye."

And ten days later Mr. Sanders attended a necktie social and was left behind when the others started for home.

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At a recent introduction of a bishop to his see, somebody noticed a Dublin graduate wearing an Oxford hood. He pointed it out to the bishop, and said that the person stood there with a lie on his back. "Well," replied his lordship, "you can hardly call it a lie; but it is certainly a false hood!



The question of "degrees" in music and the present tendency to wholesale trading in musical distinctions as a matter of business, rather than as a means of artistic progress, constitute one of the most remarkable and curious developments of the past decade in the musical life of all English-speaking countries. The attention this matter is receiving in Canada and the intelligent grasp of the situation which is being shown by the profession and public, augurs well for the musical future of this country on lines in which humbug and deception are likely to cut a very small figure. From an excellent article in the London Musical Times I reproduce the following extracts bearing upon, the subject of the manufacture and sale of bogus musical degrees and diplomas: "A few. years ago we remember reading the report of a police court case in which the central figure was a gentleman with several letters after his name. As the combination was unfamiliar, the magistrate enquired what they stood for, and was informed by the owner that they re presented an honorary degree which he had conferred upon himself. This may, of course, la foile des grandeurs, or that form of mania in which the sufferer imagines himself to be some exalted personage; but it is quite possible that the hero of this episode was as sane and sensible as any of our readers, and that in assuming his self-conferred diploma he was only acting on the principle which in all ages has animated the knights of industry. Men and women who live by their wits were long wont to reinforce their claims to recogni tion by the means of a title, as the race of hotel-keepers can testify. But culture and democracy have changed all that. In former years it was the ambition of many an honest man to win a handle to his name. It is now more common to find people consumed with the passion for a string of honorific initials after their names. Imposture always treads close in the track of virtue, and thus we find fewer sham baronets and spurious lords, and more mock doctors, bogus Fellows, pinch-beck professors, imaginary diplomas, and false hoods. Further more, the collectivism of the age is strikingly manifested in the way in which these titles are originated. They are no longer the result of random individual effort, but of co-operation and association. Suspicion is disarmed by this procedure. The gentleman who conferred a degree on himself was too thoroughgoing an individual to succeed in these later days. Had he been wiser in his generation, he would have taken unto himself three or more congenial spirits and founded a University for the Redistribution of Property. Instead of be-stowing degrees on himself, he should have embarked on the much more lucrative employment of disposing of them to others-for a consideration. He would have driven a roaring trade for a while, until the novelty of the thing wore off and the charm of adding the letters F.U.R. after one's name ceased to exert its spell on the majority a la Carlyle. Somebody would in the fulness of time have arisen to call in question the value of the suffix, or perhaps would have pointed out the strange coincidence that the initials of the title Fellow of the University of Redistribution spelt fur, which is the Latin for thief. Or perhaps Mr. Labouchere would have expressed a desire to see the balance-sheet of the University, and then one fine day the bubble would have burst and the promoters have levanted, and the Fellows and Associates have been left singing a song of degrees in a minor key.

In a lecture delivered at Bradford, Eng., before the National Society of Professional Musicians, on the subject of Musical Degrees, Mr. Akerovd pointed out that the average man knows little or nothing about musical titles, liseriminate between the genuine and the imitation article. "Under these circumstances." that enterprising promoters should avail themyoungest of the arts, and musicians are certainly on sale. not wanting in one of the chief attributes of youth-credulity. The aspirant to honorswhether as an executant, a teacher, or a comoser-is anxious to gain official recognition of his abilities. In other words, he longs for a degree, and, like the baby in the advertisement, he won't be happy till he gets it. But in his desire to fulfil this ambition he is only too apt to forget Mendelssohn's motto. Res secera est rerum gaudium-that nothing is worth winning which does not involve serious effort. He overlooks the fact that the value of praise depends on the judgment and character of the raiser, or, to put it in the words recently used by the Bishop of London, that 'degrees are worth whatever value can be given to them by the authority which confers them.' Proceeding on the naïve assumption that all bodies which confer titles, degrees, or diplomas are on an equality, he approaches the institution gives him the most generous allowance of initials for the least possible exertion or outlay on his part. At the present moment he will suffer from an embarras de richesses in making his choice. But when he has done so and gained the coveted diploma, the extreme ease with which the ordeal is passed may excite his suspicions." Mr. Akeroyd, in the paper to which allusion is made, exhibited a diploma on which there appeared the names had been present at the examination of the candidate, and they had no knowledge that their names were being used by the promoters of the scheme. He also declared that seven

of the Vice-Presidents of one of these bodies had declared that their names "had been im-

Some time ago the London Musical Stand

ard contained letters from Sir Arthur Sullivan, Sir Herbert Oakeley, and Messrs. Cowen and Cummings, all desiring their names to be removed from the notices of a certain self-constituted College of Music. An English contemporary in referring to this action on the part of the eminent musicians mentioned, says: "It were much to be desired that other notabilities were as prompt in disassociating themselves from institutions of dubious character. There can be little doubt that the guileless public are much influenced by names, and the mischief wrought by bogus music schools can be in great measure laid at the door of men of social or artistic eminence who so freely grant the use of their names as Patrons, Vice-Presidents, and the like. It is a matter of notoriety that a little judicious flattery will obtain the name of almost any one if no pecuniary responsibility be incurred. In some cases, as we have seen above, the promoters dispense with all negotiations or formalities, and boldly include in the list of their patrons the names of persons who have never been consulted at all. Colleges of this sort are springing up like mushrooms around us, and the dispensing of diplomas, not worth the price of the paper on which they are printed, goes merrily on. All tastes are catered for in the curriculum of the spontaneously generated musical college. Thus, in the advertisement of one much dis cussed institution, we find, in the list of the teaching staff, the professor of musical theory in immediate juxtaposition to the professor of the banjo. Indeed, we have no doubt that if you desired it, you could obtain a licentiateship of music from this institution on the strength have been only a case of what the French call of proficiency in manipulating the bones. And yet with the evidences of incompetence, of fraud, and of false pretense writ large in the very prospectuses of these mushroom colleges, with ample means at its disposal for the discriminating of the true from the false hood, the bogus from the genuine degree, the public, or at least a certain portion of it, with incredible gullibility keeps on playing into the hands of imposture.

"Urgent appeals," says the Musical Times, are addressed to us to lend our help in unmasking these (fake) schemes, but we really cannot profess a very lively sympathy with people whose misfortunes are the direct result of such extraordinary negligence. If a man is ill and elects to consult a quack in preference to a doctor of established repute, it is his own look out. And if a man, otherwise rational and well informed, prefers to send his daughter to say, Juggins' Jubilee University in preference to the Royal Academy of Music, what is to be done? The real remedy for the evil is in the hands of the public. If they would only be at pains to consult Whitaker's Almanac, or some other accessible book of reference, and trust less to specious advertisements, the evil would right itself and mushroom institutions would disappear as rapidly as they sprang into exist-

A meeting of the chorus committee of the Mendelssohn Choir was held on Monday evening last, when steps were taken for the re organization of this splendid chorus for the coming season's work. All candidates for admisssion to the society for the coming season, whether members of last year's chorus or new applicants, will, if deemed necessary by the conductor, be required to have their voices tested and classified. The test for admission this season will be conducted upon much the same lines as last year, with a higher standard of efficiency than previously. Good quality of voice, the ability to sing in the second story, had very tune, and some proficiency in sight reading carelessly left a step-ladder at the head of and will be expected of all candidates. The enthusiastic reception accorded the society last season and the unanimous praise of both press and public will be remembered by all who attended last season's concert. From present indications the chorus will be superior in every way to the remarkably fine body of singers of which it was composed last year. A very attractive programme of double choruses, motettes, glees and part-songs has already been chosen for the next concert of the society. at which, as before, notable foreign solo talent will assist. Several selections, respectively for the women's and men's sections of the Choir, will also be given. Applications for memberand is unfortunately very often quite unable to ship will be received up to September 15. shtairs shteeper'n front shtairs." (A long pause, These may be forwarded either to the conductor, Mr. A. S. Vogt, or any member of the front of him.) "No, that washn't it. Girl left said Mr. Akeroyd, "it is not to be wondered at committee. The first meeting of the society piesh wet shoap on shtairs. Shtepped on wet will be held in the Y.W.C. Guild Hall, McGill selves liberally of the opportunities offered them by the ignorance or negligence of the incurious when the election of officers will take place the knob, and crept into his room on his hands musical public. Music is often described as the and the music for the next concert will be

The London Advertiser speaks in terms of high praise of the singing of Miss Scott, a pupil of Mr. Harold Jarvis, Miss Scott and Mr. Jarvis sang two duets at a concert at Port Stanley with fine effect. This was the young lady's first public appearance, and her success being such we may hope to hear her in Toronto

Herr Rudolf Ruth, of the College of Music staff, and Signor Guiseppe Dinelli, of the Conservatory of Music, who have been touring through Europe on bicycles, will return in time for the opening of the above named institutions next week.

The new organ now being erected by Messrs. Warren & Son for the Jarvis street Baptist church will, it is expected, be completed about

Mr. W. O. Forsyth, director of the Metropolitan School of Music, returns to the city this week from the seaside.

Mr. A. S. Vogt returns from Boston on Monday next. Moderato.

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She—They say he married her for her figure. He—That was quite natural. She—Oh! no, it wasn't.—*Pick-Me-Up*.

Mr. Poppleduke's Adventure.

Harper's Monthly.

Mr. Poppleduke and Major Simms are two worthy bachelors inhabiting the same boardingouse. Each is happy in the possession of a good many friends, and not having to get up early in the morning, they sometimes stay out late at night. It must be admitted that Major Simms sometimes has trouble in making port, especially after a dinner. Not so in the case of Mr. Poppleduke. No matter how late the dinner or joyous the occasion, his fine instinct never deserts him. Naturally he has often girded at the Major on his weakness.

Why," he said, "you have trouble in getting home after a supper, and never can do it without help after a dinner. Major, I could come home all right after a breakfast!

But Mr. Poppleduke's hour of humiliation arrived. It was after a glorious dinner to a friend who had just been appointed consul to an important post. Mr. Poppleduke came home in a cab. He never faltered as he went up the front steps, and his hand had the precision of a conjurer's as he sought the key-hole. Inside he deposited his hat and coat and started up the stairs, walking with preternatural stiffness and disdaining to touch the banisters or wall. Now it happened that a servant, after doing facing the stairs. Of course Mr. Poppleduke went on up the step-ladder. "Shteepesh shtairs ever sheen," he was heard to ob serve when about half-way up. Then he went on, and reaching the top, stepped off. The back of the step-ladder broke his fall, and he only shot to the floor like a rapid toboggan, and sat there with his feet thrust straight out in front of hum. He hitched his shoulders up into position, and after giving the subject the thought which so remarkable a phenomenon deserved, said, 'Mosht shtraordinary 'currence ever knew Came up front shtairs. Front shtairs shtraor. dinarily shteep. Fell down back shtairs. Back during which he spied his own door directly in shoap. Fell off; then fell down. Won't tip and knees, not daring again to trust himself on his feet.



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Social and Personal.

Lord and Lady Russell and their friends left by special train for Kingston on Wednesday evening, and there took the St. Lawrence boat for Montreal. They will visit Lord and Lady. Aberdeen, and sail for England on October 10.

A concert was given at Hotel Hanlan on Thursday evening under the direction of Prof. Stocks Hammond, organist of St. James'. committee were: Messrs. Frederick Nicholls, H. C. Hammond, Dan A. Rose, H. K. Merritt, R. D. Gamble, R. A. Smith, and Mr. T. G. Mason, secretary, acting for the guests of the Hotel, who gave the concert

Manager Sheppard is doing several very necessary things to the Grand this week in anticipation of the opening of the season of '96-'97. The most grateful addition to the opera house is a porte-cochere on Adelaide street, before the main entrance, which has been a crying want since ever the Grand opened its doors. Many a cold has been taken by daintily clad women obliged to pass from coach to portal in inclement weather, or step with slippered feet across streaming wet planks. SATURDAY NIGHT begged for a porte-cochere, or something of a shelter, years ago, and though the present structure is not strictly that, seeing one cannot drive under it, still it is better, far better, than the canopy of heaven as heretofore.

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The members of the Solid Comfort Club of Pennsylvania gave their annual At Home recently at their camp at Beaumaris, Muskoka The club, whose permanent summer headquarters are at Beaumaris, is the largest and most influential American camp in Muskoka and comprises among its members-who are all in the prime of life or getting on the shady side—some of the most representative men in Pennsylvania. Judge Mehard acted as director of ceremonies and was ably assisted by Hon. Mr. Stranahan, ex-Attorney-General of Pennsylvania, and General Milan, Auditor-General of the same State, and other members of the club. Among the guests were representatives from leading cottagers and hotel guests in the vicinity, among whom were: Judge Proudfoot and the Misses Proudfoot, Dr. E. Herbert Adams, commodore of Muskoka Lakes Association, of Toronto, and Vice-Com-Lakes Association, of Toronto, and Vice-Commodore F. W. Fearman, Mr. H. Fearman and Mrs. Fearman, Mr. J. Stevenson, the Misses Harvey of Hamilton, Mr. C. H. Prince and Mr. C. H. Yager of the Sharon Social and Fishing Club of Pittsburg, Mr. E. C. J. Stratton and Mrs. Stratton and many others. The dining-ball, gaily decorated, was utilized for dancing and an excellent orchestra dispensed sweet music.

An unusual number of visitors are expected at Fair time this year. Already are trunks being deposited all over the city, and hostesses girding themselves for the fray. There is positively nothing equal to the fatigue of shopping with a suburban visitor, who dives into bargain shops, deliberates over purchases, changes her mind a dozen times, loses her pocket-book, and is in risk of her life a score of times from trolleys and bicycles, while her hostess sews wrinkles and gray hairs, not to mention pains in back and head, trying to head her off and chase her home.

Talking of weariness reminds me of a remark a certain well known lady made thereon. "Nothing," she said earnestly, "breaks my spirit down, nothing drives me to despair, nothing wakes in me a wild rebellion, so much as that daily enquiry of cook, 'And what vegetables, ma-am?' which always follows our morning interview." I often think of that woman and wonder whether some day cook will find a work-basket, ink-bottle or footstool flying at her head, instead of an order for

Someone says we shall have very hot weather this fall. Good thing, for coal is dear this year!

The tennis dance at the Athletic Club next Wednesday evening will no doubt be a very jolly affair. Yesterday the ladies' committee held a meeting and made their final arrange-ments for the dance, which is under very nice patronage. By the way, this evening conflicts with the Wednesday dance at Center Island, especially if that date be chosen for the bestowal of prizes won in the I. A. A. sports.

One of the most successful summer hotels in Ontario this season has been the Penetanguishene. A very large number of nice people chose it for their summer resort, and a succession of merry doings has the season. Some of the boarders cannot say nice enough things of this hotel and Mrs. Patterson, its capable manager and superintendent.

Talmage day, as last Monday was named by the Grimsby Park residents and their friends, attracted an immense crowd of Toronto excursionists by the Queen City, and a number of people from the country around about the Park. The vast Tabernacle was crowded to hear a very poor lecture from the reverend gentleman from New York. In old days, Tal-mage really "humped himself." Now, like the camel of the desert in famine time, he is living on his hump. Whatever be his magnet, how-ever, he draws a crowd, and on Sunday the gate receipts at Grimsby Park were such that I hesitate to name the sum. Six thousand people crowded the tabernacle or pavilion, or whatever may be the vast structure reared by father Noah Phelps, and in which he is the most comical of presiding genii. On Monday the crowd was less, and comfort correspondingly greater. The excursionists had a perfect day, the weather cool and clear, and the sail home in full-moonlight enchanting. A very nice tea was served at the Lakeview Hotel at five o'clock for those who wished, and genial Joe Digby beamed a cordial welcome from his desk on the

English people sometimes have an idea that this Canada of ours is a wilderness wherein they may disport themselves in hideous old rags which our scrub-ladies would weep to be obliged to wear. Only a few days ago I saw a couple of strange-looking travelers carrying a steamer trunk off a crowded boat. The man, evidently a person of some culture, the woman (yes indeed, one was a woman!) tugging at a basket of fruit and a trunk handle with either

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hand. Whether they were too shy and strange to hunt up a porter I know not, but she and he lugged their trunk and fruit from the deck to the dock in great shape, before a very wondering party of excursionists.

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Mr. G. Allen Case has been confined to bed for a week or more, but is now getting better

There is to be a camp at Niagara this fall, but not any of Toronto's citizen soldiers are to be in it. Consequently, its social interest is not of an enthralling order.

What between their prospects of being sena tors, lieutenant-governors and some things, according to the paragraphers, Messrs. Kerr, Janes, et al, must scarcely know "where

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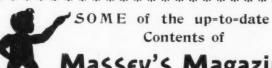
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Social and Personal

A quiet but very pretty wedding took place on Tuesday at the residence of Dr. L. D. Closson of Spadina avenue, when his only daughter, Louise Marie, was married to Mr. William J. Thomson, a popular young business man of New York. The bride's father being ill, she was given away by her uncle, Dr. J. C. Ray. At the appointed hour the wedding party entered the drawing-room, which, with the rest of the house, was beautifully decorated with palms and flowers. The bride wore a heavy cream corded silk trimmed with lace, chiffon and pearls; the tulle veil was held at her dark hair with a handsome diamond-andpearl star, the gift of the groom. She carried a bouquet of bride roses and maiden-hair ferns. The bridesmaid, Miss Annie Howden of Whitby, cousin of the bride, looked very pretty in Dresden muslin and lace, with bouquet of pink roses, and wore a pearl crescent souvenir from the groom. Little Madeline Belt, daughter of Dr. Belt, Oshawa, attended the bride, carrying a basket of sweet peas. Mr. A. Henderson Thomson of the Bank of Commerce, Montreal, brother of the groom, was best man, the ushers being Dr. J. H. Closson, brother of the bride, and Mr. William G. Hyland of the Bank of Hamilton, her cousin. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. F. Wilson of Trinity Methodist church. After the wedding breakfast was partaken of and the usual good wishes expressed, the newly wedded couple left for Montreal, Washington and the seaside before reaching their future home in New York city.

Mons, J. Trancle-Armand has returned from his holiday trip on the St. Lawrence.

Mr. Frank Hodgins of Cloynewood returned from England last week and is stopping with his father, Dr. Hodgins of Pembroke street.

Mrs. N. Logan Stewart of Woodstock, accom panied by her sister, Miss Anderson, returned home after spending several weeks in Toronto and the Island. While in Toronto they were the guests of Mrs. George Anderson of Admiral

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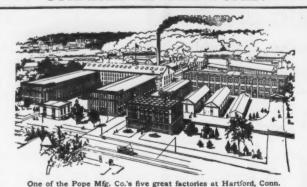
Births.

JEFFREY—Aug. 21, Mrs. J. S. Jeffrey—a son.
RYCKMAN—Aug. 17, Mrs. E. B. Ryckman—a son.
RENNIE—Aug. 16, Mrs. John Rennie—a son.
McDONAGH—Aug. 14, Mrs. A. J. McDonagh—a son.
PEARCY—Aug. 20, Mrs. Gilbert Pearcy—adaughter.
WHITE—Chatham, Aug. 20, Mrs. J. W. White—a

HILL—Aug. 19, Rev. J. J. Hill, aged 62.
MEDCALF—Aug. 19, Minnie Victoria Medcalf.
SMITH—Uxbridge. Aug. 42, Aug. 43, Aug. 43, Aug. 44.
JOHNSTON—Aug. 19, Robert Johnston, aged 68.
MACPHERSON—Aug. 18, Hon. Sir David Macpher—son, K.C.M.G., aged 77.
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Marriages.

GAMMACH—SCOTT—Saruia, Aug. 28, Alexander P.
F. Gammach to Agnes Scott.
WRIGHT—DIRAPER—Indians, Aug. 15, Andrew E.
Wright to Frances Draper, both of Toronto.
HILLS—HURD—Aug. 24, George Horace Hills to
Mary Hurd.
GILBANK—FARLEY—Aug. 24, J. Clarence Gilbank
to Gertrude Farlev.
NELSON—DAYMENT—Aug. 19, Horatio W. Nelson
to Lucy Dayment.
NORTH—YOUNG—Aug. 17, S. North to Minerva
Young.

Deaths

SLEMIN-Aug. 21, Lizzie Virtue Slemin. WOOD-Aug. 21, Anna Louisa Wood. WOODINGTON-Aug. 21, Eliza C. Woodington,

WOODINGTON—Aug. 24, Eliza C. Wootington aged 66, pp. Rekilss—Aug. 22, Josiah Purkiss, aged 72. Pp. Rekilss—Aug. 22, Engline C. Townsend. ELLIOTT—Aug. 22, Agnes Elliott aged 56, ell. ESPHS—Aug. 22, Watter Gillespie, aged 65, SNIDER—Aug. 22, Catherine Snider, aged 28, LANDER—Aug. 22, Catherine Snider, aged 28, LANDER—Aug. 22, Elizabeth Crocker Lane, aged 82, GRANT ACRA, 22, James W. Grant, aged 54, GRANT ACRA, 23, William Charlton, aged 38, HENDERSON—Aug. 23, William Charlton, aged 38, HENDERSON—Aug. 26, Murray R. Henderson aged 32.

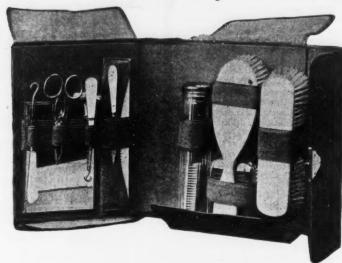
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